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Title of Invention: Transaction assisting apparatus & rewarding system

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- chain orders or contingent orders to sell/purchase type of fungible goods on condition of execution of an order for sale/purchase of the first type fungible goods and second type goods not fungible/fungible with respect to first type.
- inhibit display of order or information about buy/sell when chain order is placed matched/found

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### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A transaction assisting apparatus capable of automatically transacting chain orders. Chain order input unit accepts entry of a chain order and supplies the input chain order to chain order storing unit to be stored therein. Order detecting unit is supplied with an input buy order, and if the buy order placed is for the chain order, it notifies chain order processing unit that the buy order has been placed for the chain order. The chain order processing unit performs a selling/purchasing process with respect to the chain order for which the buy order has been placed. When the selling /purchasing process is completed, deleting unit deletes the corresponding chain order from the chain order storing unit. In the event the price of chained goods has changed, price changing unit changes the price of chain goods correspondingly in an interlocked manner. Display unit selectively displays, on display units, only those chain orders which satisfy certain conditions such as the presence of chained goods.

# claims

1. A transaction assisting apparatus for assisting transactions in goods in an electronic market, comprising:

chain order input means permitting input of orders to sell or purchase a first type of fungible goods in the electronic market, and permitting the input of a chain order, the chain order being an order requesting, on condition of execution of an order for sale or purchase of the first type of fungible goods, purchase or sale of a second type of fungible goods, the second type of fungible goods being different from and not fungible with respect to the first type of fungible goods;

order detecting means for automatically detecting execution of an order for purchase or sale of the first type of fungible goods with respect to which the chain order has been placed; and

chain order processing means for, responsive to the detection of execution of a buy or sell order for the first type of fungible goods by said order detecting means, automatically executing the chain order for the first type of fungible goods .

2. The transaction assisting apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising: chain order storing means for storing the chain order input from said chain order input means; and

deleting means for deleting, from said chain order storing means, the chain order with respect to which the automatic execution has been completed by said chain order processing means.

3. The transaction assisting apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising display means for selectively displaying those of the chain orders which include a sell or buy order for the second type of fungible goods and which satisfy a condition for sale or purchase of the second type of fungible goods.

4. The transaction assisting apparatus according to claim 3, wherein said display means inhibits display of information about a buy or sell order for the second type of fungible goods included in the chain order when the chain order is placed, and displays the information after the chain order is executed.

5. The transaction assisting apparatus according to claim 3, further comprising price changing means for, responsive to a change in price of the first type of goods, automatically changing a price of the corresponding second type of goods of the chain order in an interlocked manner.

6. The transaction assisting apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said chain order processing means performs chain order processing in series if an order placed with respect to the second type of fungible goods to be transacted is a chain order.

7. The transaction assisting apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising tax amount calculating means for calculating an amount of tax to be paid as-a result of the execution of the chain order; and

notifying means for notifying parties concerned in the execution of the chain order of the amount of tax calculated by said tax amount calculating means.

8. The transaction assisting apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising transfer means for automatically transferring a price and a tax payable as a result of the execution from one to another of accounts of parties concerned in the execution.

9. A computer-readable recording medium recording a program to be executed by a computer for causing the computer to perform a transaction assisting process for assisting transactions in goods, the process comprising:

permitting input of orders to sell or purchase a first type of fungible goods in the electronic market, and permitting the input of a chain order, the chain order being an order requesting, on condition of execution of an order for sale or purchase of the first type of fungible goods, purchase or sale of a second type of fungible goods different from and not fungible with respect to the first type of fungible goods;

automatically detecting execution of an order for purchase or sale of the first type of fungible goods with respect to which the chain order has been placed; and

responsive to the detection of execution of a buy or sell order for the first type of fungible goods by said order detecting means, automatically executing the chain order for the first type of fungible goods.



10. (NEW) A method for assisting transactions in goods, the method comprising: permitting input of orders to sell or purchase a first type of fungible goods in the electronic market, and permitting the input of a chain order, the chain order being an order requesting, on condition of execution of an order for sale or purchase of the first type of fungible goods, purchase or sale of a second type of fungible goods different from and not fungible with respect to the first type of fungible goods;

automatically detecting execution of an order for purchase or sale of the first type of fungible goods with respect to which the chain order has been placed; and

responsive to the detection of execution of a buy or sell order for the first type of fungible goods by said order detecting means, automatically executing the chain order for the first type of fungible goods .

11. (NEW) A method according to claim 10, further comprising:

storing the inputted chain order; and

deleting the stored chain order with respect to which the automatic execution has been completed.

12. (NEW) A method according to claim 10, further comprising displaying those of the chain orders which include a sell or buy order for the second type of fungible goods and which satisfy a condition for sale or purchase of the second type of fungible goods.

13. (NEW) A method according to claim 12, further comprising inhibiting display of information about a buy or sell order for the second type of fungible goods included in the chain order when the chain order is placed, and displaying the information after the chain order is executed.

14. (NEW) A method according to claim 12, further comprising, responsive to a change in price of the first type of goods, automatically changing a price of the corresponding second type of goods of the chain order in an interlocked manner.

15. (NEW) A method according to claim 10, wherein said chain order processing means performs chain order processing in series if an order placed with respect to the second type of fungible goods to be transacted is a chain order.

16. (NEW) A method according to claim 10, further comprising calculating an amount of tax to be paid as a result of the execution of the chain order; and  
notifying parties concerned in the execution of the chain order of the amount of tax calculated.

17. (NEW) A method according to claim 10, further comprising automatically transferring a price and a tax payable as a result of the execution from one to another of accounts of parties concerned in the execution.

18. (NEW) An apparatus for assisting transactions in goods in an electronic market, comprising:

a chain order input unit permitting input of orders to sell or purchase a first type of fungible goods in the electronic market, and permitting the input of a chain order, the chain order being an order requesting, on condition of execution of an order for sale or purchase of the first type of fungible goods, purchase or sale of a second type of fungible goods, the second type of fungible goods being different from and not fungible with respect to the first type of fungible goods;

an order detecting unit automatically detecting execution of an order for purchase or sale of the first type of fungible goods with respect to which the chain order has been placed; and

a chain order processor, responsive to the detection of execution of a buy or sell order for the first type of fungible goods by said order detecting unit, automatically executing the chain order for the first type of fungible goods .

19. (NEW) A method for automatically chaining orders in an electronic market, where the electronic market is used by market participants to place open buy and sell orders for different types of goods, where the electronic market makes the open orders available for display by the market participants, and where the electronic market executes the open buy and sell orders, the method comprising:

making a first open order for a first type of goods available for display and execution by placing the first open order in the electronic market;

making a second open order for a second type of goods available for display and execution by placing the second open order in the electronic market, where the first and second type of goods are different types of goods; and

in the electronic market, conditioning execution of the second open order by interactively establishing a relation in the electronic market between the first open order and the second

open order, by disallowing execution of the second open order until after execution of the first order,

and by automatically executing the second open order in response to execution of the first open order.

20. (NEW) A method for automatically chaining orders in an electronic market, where the electronic market is used by market participants to place open buy and sell orders for different types of goods, where the electronic market makes the open orders available for display by the market participants, and where the electronic market executes the open buy and sell orders, the method comprising:

making a second open order for a second type of goods available for display and execution by placing the second open order in the electronic market; and

in the electronic market, conditioning execution of the second open order by interactively establishing a requirement that the second open order not be executed until after execution of an order for a first type of goods, and by automatically executing the second open order in response to an execution of an order for the particular type of goods.

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**System, method and software product for ordering image products over a communication network from a plurality of different providers having various business relationships**

**System, Verfahren und Computerprogramm für die Bestellung von Bildprodukten über ein Kommunikationsnetz von einer Mehrzahl unterschiedlicher Lieferanten, die verschiedene Geschäftsbeziehungen haben**

**Système, méthode et logiciel pour commander, au moyen d'un réseau de communication, des produits de type image d'une pluralité de fournisseurs de services ayant différentes relations commerciales**

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...SPECIFICATION inside a store owned by retailer A. For example, retailer A may own a large **chain** of drugstores, and **order** terminal 81 may be owned or leased by retailer A and located in one of these drugstores. Order terminal 81 includes a **display** screen 91 that is used to **display** an offering of **goods** or services to a user. Order terminal 83 is a second photo kiosk associated with...  
...located inside one of the drugstores owned by retailer B. Order terminal 83 includes a **display** screen 93, which is also used to **display** an offering of **goods** or services to a user. In many cases, retailer A and retailer B have a...

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**System, method and software product for ordering image products using images stored on a digital storage device from a plurality of order terminals**

**System, Verfahren und Softwareprodukt zur Bestellung von Bildprodukten unter Verwendung von digital gespeicherten Bildern von einer Vielzahl von Bestellterminals**

**Systeme, methode et logiciel pour commander des produits de type image au moyen d'images stockees sur un appareil de stockage numerique a partir de plusieurs terminaux de commande**

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...located inside one of the drugstores owned by retailer B. Order terminal 83 includes a **display** screen 93, which is also used to **display** an offering of **goods** or services to a user. In many cases, retailer A and retailer B have a...

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System, method and software product for ordering image products over a communication network from a plurality of different providers having various business relationships, using images stored on a digital storage device

System, Verfahren und Computerprogramm für die Bestellung von Bildprodukten über ein Kommunikationsnetz von einer Mehrzahl unterschiedlicher Lieferanten, die verschiedene Geschäftsbeziehungen haben, unter Verwendung von Bildern, die auf einer Digitalspeichervorrichtung gespeichert sind

Système, méthode et logiciel pour commander, au moyen d'un réseau de communication, des produits de type image d'une pluralité de fournisseurs de services ayant différentes relations commerciales, en utilisant des images stockées sur un appareil de stockage numérique

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**Data warehouse model and methodology**

**Modell und Methodologie fur ein Datenlagerhaus**

**Modele de depot de donnees et methodologie**

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...SPECIFICATION effectiveness of the sales, shipping and invoicing  
process;  
\* Evaluate sales representative performance;  
\* Analyze trends in **transaction** volumes and values being processed at  
various points in the demand **chain** (**orders** , returns, goods issued,  
invoices, credit and debit memo requests, etc.); and  
\* Monitor distribution of **transaction** activity across organizational  
units (sales organization, division, distribution channel, shipping  
points).  
Sample sales organizational effectiveness...

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**Electronic catalog recording medium and electronic catalog device**  
**Medium und Gerat zum Aufzeichnen eines elektronischen Katalogs**  
**Medium et dispositif de stockage d'un catalogue electronique**

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...SPECIFICATION the model number is selected, the standard specification of that model number will soon be **displayed** . Hence, after this selection, all the user has to do is to change only the selected **items** of the standard specification he/she wants to change, and as such can allow the...

...after the selection of the model number, the detail specifications need be re-selected in **order** until the desired **chain** block is selected.

The present invention provides a recording medium for an electronic catalog of...the model number is made, the standard specification of that model number will soon be **displayed** . Hence, after this selection, all the user has to do is to change only the selected **items** of the standard specification he/she wants to change, and as such can allow the...

...after the selection of the model number, the detail specifications need be re-selected in **order** until the desired **chain** block is selected.

Preferably, the model number selecting means comprises a model number inputting means...by use of this navigation, the standard specification of that model number will soon be **displayed** . After this selection, all the user has to do is to change only the selected **items** of the standard specification he/she wants to change, and as such can allow the...

...after the selection of the model number, the detail specifications need be re-selected in **order** until the desired **chain** block is selected.

When the model number is input in the dialog box to input...

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**A client-centric internet shopping system, method and program**

**Ein auf den Kunden zentriertes Internet-Einkaufs-System, -Verfahren und -Programm**

**Systeme, methode et programme d'achats en ligne centrale autour du client**  
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...SPECIFICATION clients 122, 132 as various phases of the delivery are  
completed. Similarly, a nationwide retail **chain** may have **order**  
execution stations connected to their central Web server via the  
Internet.

Order cancellation and dependent **transactions**

The method, means and program function of the preferred embodiments  
for carrying out a buyer...

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01288886

**Demand-production scheme planning apparatus and storage medium**

**Apparat zur Planung eines Nachfrage-Produktions-Schemas und Speichermedium**

**Appareil pour la planification d'un schema de demandes de production et  
medium de stockage**

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...CLAIMS of:

storing first data regarding a cost and a time that are needed between a  
**purchase** step and a supply step of each demand-supply step of the  
supply **chain** ;  
inputting an **order** receipt scheme of a demand-supply step of the  
plurality of steps that is located...

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Transaction assisting apparatus and program

Apparat und Programm zum Unterstutzen bei Transaktionen

Appareil et programme pour aider des transactions

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A **transaction** assisting apparatus capable of automatically transacting **chain orders**. A **chain order** input unit (50a) accepts entry of a **chain order** and supplies the input **chain order** to a **chain order** storing unit (50b) to be stored therein. An order detecting unit (50c) is supplied with an input **buy order**, and if the buy order placed is for the **chain order**, it notifies a **chain order** processing unit (50d) that the **buy order** has been placed for the **chain order**. The **chain order** processing (50d) unit performs a **selling** /purchasing process with respect to the **chain order** for which the **buy order** has been placed. When the **selling** / **purchasing** process is completed, a deleting unit (50e) deletes the corresponding **chain order** from the **chain order** storing unit (50b). If the price of chained goods has changed, a price changing unit (50f) changes the price of chain **goods** correspondingly in an interlocked manner. A **display** unit (50g) selectively **displays**, on **display** units (60), only those **chain orders** which satisfy certain conditions such as the presence of chained **goods**.

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SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SHARING INFORMATION RELATING TO SUPPLY CHAIN  
 TRANSACTIONS IN MULTIPLE ENVIRONMENTS

SYSTEME ET PROCEDE DE PARTAGE D'INFORMATION RELATIVE A DES TRANSACTIONS  
 D'UNE CHAINE D'APPROVISIONNEMENT DANS DE MULTIPLES ENVIRONNEMENTS

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Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... and buyers want to be able to share information relating to all  
aspects of supply **chain** business **transactions** including **ordering** ,  
inventory, marketing price quotations, and the like. Thus, a system that  
allows supply chain customers...

...either a seller or a buyer host administrator. The system may connect  
internal and external **selling** organizations and supply **chain** partners  
to **order** and inventory information stored in back-end systems. The  
system may resolve its 24/7...

...supply chain transactions between supply chain partners. Such  
information includes, for example, sales orders [SO], **purchase** orders  
[PO], item catalogs, pricing, order modifications and cancellation,  
material returns, approval routings (approval **chain** required for an  
**order** to be executed), supplier response and feedback, requests for  
proposal [RFP] and requests for quote...

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**SUPPLY CHAIN NETWORK**

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Fulltext Availability:

Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... validation process is undertaken to identify  
exceptions between the supplier PO Acknowledgment and the supply **chain**  
servers open **purchase orders** . Any exceptions are resolved.

[01651 The process begins when the supply **chain** server receives an  
**order**

acknowledgment from the supplier. Preferably, the acknowledgment is  
received

within 24 hours of receipt by...

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**METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR FACILITATING E-BUSINESS**

**LOGICIEL ET SYSTEMES DE COMMERCE ELECTRONIQUE**

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Detailed Description

Claims

Detailed Description

... further remote computer on which tra'n@actibn  
'oftWare is installed,- afte --- r"which  
the **transaction** software executes the actions defined in the data  
entity in **order** to execute the **chain** of business **transactions** .

**transactions** .

In a further embodiment of this method, the meta-script comprises a  
security.  
code comprising...

Claim

... sent to a further remote computer  
on which transaction software is installed, after which the **transaction**  
software executes the actions defined in the data entity in **order** to  
execute the **chain** of business **transactions** ,

15 Method according to claim 14, wherein each business  
partner adds at least one pointer...

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**SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SCHEDULING AND TRACKING RETAIL STORE RESETS AND  
REMODELS**

**SYSTEME ET PROCEDE PERMETTANT DE PLANIFIER ET DE SUIVRE LA REORGANISATION  
ET LA TRANSFORMATION DE MAGASINS DE DETAIL**

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Detailed Description

Detailed Description

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now further described by way of an example.

A new retail store 36 is **purchased** by the store **chain**, BE-LO. In **order** to provide uniformity with other BE-LO stores 36, the new store will undergo a...

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**NETWORK-BASED PROCUREMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD**

**PROCEDE ET SYSTEME D'APPROVISIONNEMENTS UTILISANT DES RESEAUX**

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Detailed Description

English Abstract

A procurement system and method that provides a virtual supply chain to fill purchase orders placed by customers for products and other items. The system aggregates and directs purchase orders through transaction sources, such as functional front-end systems (e.g., web browsers), to...

Detailed Description  
... as possible.

#### SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The present invention is directed to a procurement (or purchasing) system and method that creates a virtual supply chain to fill purchase orders placed by customers for products and other items. A preferred system aggregates and directs customer purchase orders through transaction sources, such as functional front-end systems  
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**SYSTEM, METHOD AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR A SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT  
SYSTEME, PROCEDE ET PRODUIT PROGRAMME INFORMATIQUE CONCUS POUR UNE GESTION  
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Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... 28 is a flowchart of a process for identifying goods in a network-based supply **chain** management framework in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention;

Figure 29 is a...169 illustrates a drop down list box from which a user can select reports for

**viewing** ;

Figure 170 illustrates a Print button;

Figure 171 depicts a Print Bid button;

Figure 172...

...accordance with an embodiment of the present invention; Figure 186 illustrates a page that is **displayed** upon selection of the **Item** /FOB tab;

Figure 187 shows an Update button for updating cost information;

Figure 188 is...

...embodiment of the present invention; Figure 189 is an illustration of an exemplary analysis window **displayed** upon selecting a Capacity tab;

Figure 190 illustrates another analysis window;

Figure 191 is.a...

...210 illustrates a Report Selection window;

Figure 211 is a flowchart of a process for **product** routing in a supply chain management

framework in accordance with an embodiment of the present...business decisions not being based on the best information; unfavorable impact on the cost of **products** ; and error prone, time consuming, and costly activities throughout the Supply Chain.

The organizational structure...

...owners, distributors, or suppliers. Suppliers may supply one or more of finished goods, partially finished **goods** or raw materials.

The supply chain management system of the present invention includes six system...levels with inventory levels associated with other suppliers.

In another aspect, the performance may be **displayed** to the stores utilizing a networkbased interface. In a further aspect, the data may be ...

...ADIs and Local Distribution Committees. This improves the speed to market for promotions and new **products** , as well as provides the ability to make ongoing program adjustments. The advantages of being...paying the difference between the corresponding invoice price and the corresponding contract price to the **selling** supply **chain** participant.

Figure 43D is a flow chart of a process 4386 for risk management in... Supply Chain Coordinator Web Site/Portal

In an embodiment of the present invention, a supply **chain** coordinator web site may be provided to allow users easy access to specific information that...

...in the restaurant management system.

In one embodiment, users may be registered with the supply **chain** management system.

Upon registration, the user may then be able to access and partake some ...

...e.g., Franchisees, Stores, etc.)

Suppliers

Distributors

Retail Outlet Managers

Retail Outlet Management Corporation

Supply **Chain** Coordinator

In addition, users may be linked to the specific retailers, distribution centers and Areas...web site, or the National Franchise Association web site) may be included on the supply **chain** coordinator start page.

In a preferred embodiment, to access the appropriate home page for a... distribution center's

cost (see "DC Cost" column)

1 5 0 the markup amount supply **chain** coordinator negotiated on behalf of the

franchisee (see "Markup" column) and

the resulting total landed...based on the data for ordering goods from a plurality of distributors of the supply **chain** . The generated electronic **order** forms are sent to the distributors in operation 6536 so that the goods are delivered...framework. Utilizing a network, data is collected from a plurality of stores of a supply **chain** in operation 6732. A network-based interface is also displayed for allowing access to the...

...data utilizing the network-based interface for ordering goods from selected distributors of the supply **chain** . The network-based interface includes a bulletin board displaying information received from each of

the...

...data utilizing the network-based interface for ordering goods from a distributor of the supply **chain** or a supplier of the supply chain if the goods are not distributed through a...Priv. Id Grantor Restricted

Id Type Id Node Id  
503 Joe the View 500

supply **Order**

**chain** Data

member

Another case might be that while Joe works in the West Region, he...

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Id Type Id Node Id

503 Joe supply View 500 506

**chain** **Order**

L member IData I I I

The concept of extending columns in the privilege store...

...Type Id Node Id Id(s) (state/zip)

123 Joe supply View 345 456

**chain** **Order**

member Data

Just the node numbers are stored in the directory. When the user is...Id

Id(s) (state/zip) Date Date

123 Joe Supply View 345 456 1 1

**chain** **Order** 2000 2001

member Data

As the number of attributes that need to be used by...

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**SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ENABLING A CONFIGURABLE ELECTRONIC BUSINESS EXCHANGE PLATFORM**

**SYSTEME ET PROCEDE PERMETTANT DE CREER UNE PLATE-FORME ELECTRONIQUE CONFIGURABLE D'ECHANGES COMMERCIAUX**

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... example, the system server 140 may process a business rule by identifying differences between a **buy** -side supply **chain** partner's **purchase order** ('TO') delivery date and quantity and the **sell** -side partner's sales order delivery date and quantity. In such an example, the system...

Claim

... and requested quantity shipped information.

22 A business rule for monitoring a variance between placed **purchase** orders and planned **purchase orders** in a supply **chain** network, the business rule executing the steps of creating a placed **purchase** order set of placed purchase order; creating a planned purchase order set of planned purchase...

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**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING UNMET DEMAND**

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... Perhaps best known of these is the group of hospitals which band together demand in **order** to obtain hospital **chain** volume and pricing from medical products companies. Such Group **Purchasing** Organizations (GPOs) combine buyers needs for an agreed series of products, present the request for...

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**SUSINESS ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

**SYSTEME DE GESTION D'ACTIFS COMMERCIAUX**

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... This tool

generates budget entries automatically from a number of system 1000 processes, such as **purchase** orders. These system-generated budget entries are created when the appropriate user in the **purchase order** approval **chain** approves a given **purchase** - order. Manual entry is allowed for the following **transaction** types: original budget entry, revised

budget entry, pending budget entry, commitment entry, revised commitment entry...

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**METHOD AND DEVICE FOR BILL ACCOUNT BY ON-LINE CERTIFIED CONTRACT**

**PROCEDE ET DISPOSITIF POUR FACTURES A EFFETS PAR CONTRAT CERTIFIE EN LIGNE**

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... for the ordinary accounts receivable, the received money is transferred to the account of the **transaction** partner (3) (S28).

#### INDUSTRIAL APPLICABILITY

As explained in detail in the foregoing, in **order** -to prevent the **chain** bankruptcy caused by the conventional use of bills as a payment method for goods, services...

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#### INTERNATIONAL PAYMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD

#### SYSTEME ET PROCEDE INTERNATIONAUX DE PAIEMENT

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Detailed Description

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... to determine the location and status of the payment and message in the international payment **chain** . Thus, in **order** to determine the status of a prior **transaction** , the status request

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message transmitted. by the local bank must traverse the same path...

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**SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR WIRELESS PURCHASES OF GOODS AND SERVICES**

**SYSTEME ET PROCEDE D'ACHAT SANS FIL DE PRODUITS ET DE SERVICES**

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... 900, usually via the Internet 905 to provide for centralized inventory and a simpler supply **chain** . Consumers can **order** from anywhere, but will typically enter a merchant store 950 location for **viewing products** or receiving services. Store 950 locations include a point-ofsale (POS) terminal 952 for accepting...

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**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR A PREBID AND PRESERVING COMMITMENT WITH BUYER**

# INTERACTIVITY

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... Perhaps best known of these is the group of hospitals which band together demand in **order** to obtain hospital **chain** volume and pricing from medical products companies. Such Group **Purchasing** Organizations (GPOs) combine buyers needs for an agreed series of products, present the request for...

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GENERATING AND ELECTRONICALLY SENDING REPORTS TO ELECTRONIC DESTINATIONS

ETABLISSEMENT ET ENVOI ELECTRONIQUE DE RAPPORTS A DES ADRESSES

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... of reports, including but not limited to, inventory list reports,  
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**chain** reports, sales analysis reports, sales analysis inquiry reports,  
and budget reports. Users at a reseller...

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**MANAGING ORDERS BASED ON BUDGET RESTRICTIONS IN A PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT  
SYSTEM**

**GESTION DE COMMANDES EN FONCTION DE RESTRICTIONS BUDGETAIRES DANS UN  
SYSTEME DE GESTION DE L'APPROVISIONNEMENT**

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**USING LEAD-TIMES AND USAGE RATES TO DETERMINE INVENTORY REORDER POINTS AND LEVELS**

**UTILISATION DES DELAIS D'APPROVISIONNEMENT ET DES TAUX D'UTILISATION POUR DETERMINER DES SEUILS ET DES NIVEAUX DE REAPPROVISIONNEMENT DE STOCKS**

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**TUPPLY CHAIN ARCHITECTURE**

**ARCHITECTURE DE CHAINE D'APPROVISIONNEMENT**

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... identifier assigned to represent a specific week's demand for each supplier - similar to a **purchase** order number. Finally, supply **chain** server 74 sends 176 documents 180 to 3PL 78 including pickup and delivery instructions for...

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**METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR REBROKERING ORDERS IN A TRADING SYSTEM**

**PROCEDE ET SYSTEME DESTINES A RENEGOCIER DES ORDRES DANS UN SYSTEME D'ECHANGE**

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... trade, step 212. This is accomplished through use of the path information stored with the **order** to identify the **chain** of parties involved in the **transaction** .

I OA notification of the trade is sent to the parties involved in the trade...

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**TECHNOLOGY SHARING DURING ASSET MANAGEMENT AND ASSET TRACKING IN A NETWORK-BASED SUPPLY CHAIN ENVIRONMENT AND METHOD THEREOF**  
**PARTAGE TECHNOLOGIQUE LORS DE LA GESTION ET DU SUIVI DU PARC INFORMATIQUE DANS UN ENVIRONNEMENT DU TYPE CHAINE D'APPROVISIONNEMENT RESEAUTE, ET PROCEDE ASSOCIE**

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... and service providers may be coordinated utifiang the network. In such an embodiment, a supply **chain** planning tool may be provided for coordinating the supply of manufacturer offerings between the manufacturers...data terminals, computers, and other user systems or devices, generally refereed to as data tenninal **equipment** (DTE), to a packet-switched network through data circuit ten-ninating **equipment** (DCE) utilized to control the DTEs access to the network. The tliree layers of the...stored computer software and/or data.

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Another embodiment is directed to a computer program **product** comprising a computer readable medium having control logic (computer software)



stored therein. The control logic...accordance with a preferred embodiment, a callback system is facilitated by a caller accessing a **display** from a computer and filling out information describing the parameters of a call. Information such...Network Node Manager Network MW 4612 - HP OpenView Network Node Manager is 1 0 one **product0** which performs several functions. In this context it is responsible for maintaining and **displaying** the node level network map of the network the MNSIS architecture monitors.

HP OV Network Node Manager 4614 - HP OpenView Network Node Manager is one **product** which performs several functions. In this context it is responsible for receiving and 1 5 **displaying** all events, regardless of their source.

Netcool HP OV NNM Probe 4616 - An Omnibus Netcool...example, if an event is received at an element manager that is deemed critical to **display** to a network user, the information services manager will

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store a copy of...purchasing habits can provide invaluable marketing information. For example, retailers can create more effective store **displays** and more effective control inventory than otherwise would be possible if they know consumer purchase...of commerce-related web application services. Various features are included such as allowing purchase of **products** and services via a **displayed** catalog in operation 5400. As an option, a virtual shopping cart environment may be provided. Further, in operations 5402 and 5404, data, i.e. specifications, details, etc., relating to the **products** and services are **displayed** along with a comparison between different **products** and services. Data relating to needs of a user may also be received for the are calculated. A status of delivery for one or more of the ordered **products** and services may be provided in operation 5418.

Optionally, the **displayed** catalog may be customized based upon the user profile. Further, the data relating to at least one of the **products** and services may include a link to related data. The comparison between different products and...of the electronic commerce component of the present invention is provided for allowing purchase of **products** and services via a **display** catalog. The **display** catalog may **display** linkable pictures, such as visual representations of **products** for sale. The **display** catalog may also **display** linkable text which could represent a **product** or family of **products**, as well as services offered. Other linkable text or pictures could be implemented to provide multiple ways to traverse the **display** catalog to ease navigation along a page or between various pages. An exemplary link...such as by being based on the location of the user. Text may also be **displayed** in a language selected by the **viewer**.

#### **PRODUCT DETAILS AND SPECIFICATIONS**

Links to all related documentation (datasheets, whitepapers)  
Drills-down for additional detail...

...centralized publishing for integrity

Downloads information

Tracks downloads for proactive notification (spec updates)

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As **shown** in Figure 54, operation 5402 outputs data relating to at least one of the **products** and.

services. Such data may include details of the products or services as well as...

...most salient features may be linked to a smaller or more generic picture of the **product** on a page **displaying** various similar **products** . More links may be used on the page **displaying** the data to obtain additional detail.

1 0 Optionally, the data may be integrated to...

...as when updates to a specification are sent or received.

#### 1 5 SHOPPING CART

Stores **items** selected throughout shopping experience

Saves shopping carts to be retrieved at later point

**Displays** quantity, price, shipping info, total price

Modifies order information (add quantities, delete **items** )

Incorporates multiple languages and currency

Accessible easily throughout: catalog

As **shown** in Figure 55, one embodiment of the electronic commerce component of the present invention is provided for facilitating a virtual shopping transaction. First, a plurality of **items** , Le.

**products** or services, are selected from a database and **displayed** for purchase in operation 5500.

Preferably, the **items** are **displayed** in an electronic catalog format. Next, in operation 5502, a user is allowed to select a predetermined set of the **items** for purchase. For example, each of the items could include a flked picture or text...

...user later retrieves the set.

Ideally, a quantity and a price of each of the **items** that is selected is **displayed** during use of the present invention. Also **displayed** is a total price of the **items** that are selected along with shipping infort-nation. During use, the user is allowed to...

...for later review and 1 0 modification. Retri'eval of the set or sets of **items** should be easily accessible throughout the **display** catalog, such as through links.

Optionally, multiple languages may be incorporated into the present invention...he or she examines the content of the shopping basket as required to check the **item** scheduled to purchase and the pay arnount of the **items** . Accordingly, it is not necessary to aAlways **display** the purchase list on the screen, but the functions to access to the shopping basket for taking in the **items** and to **display** the contents should be available to the consumer any time during the shopping. As described...

...provided as a separate shopping basket window from a catalog window on which online shop **item** data is **displayed** . The shopping basket window is **displayed** on the catalog window and a **display** position is moved in linkage with the movement of a mouse pointer. The shopping basket includes a list of **items** to be purchased which is a main body of the shopping basket, a function to add the **item** data to the list, and a function to change the **item** data registered in the list. In one embodiment of the present invention, the shopping basket main body is not aAlways **displayed** .

Instead, an interface function to **display** the shopping basket contents

on the screen is provided on the shopping basket window.

#### COMPARE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

Compares your **products** and services to competitors  
Highlights advantages in across your products and services  
One embodiment of...

...utilizing the customer's profile to prioritize the features of a group of similar, competing **products**, as **shown** in operation 5404 of Figure 54. The competing **products** may or may not have been manufactured by competing business entities. More detail is provided...method, system, and article of manufacture is provided for allowing a user to customize an **item** for purchase in a virtual shopping environment, as **shown** in Figure 54, operation 5408. Figure 60 provides more detail. Referring to Figure 60, a plurality of **items** for purchase are first **displayed** in operation 6002, as discussed above. Each of the **items** includes a plurality of available features which are **displayed** in operation 6003, preferably with the price of each feature, including cost for adding the ...

...an option, a total price and availability may be determined with respect to the selected **items** and the selected features thereof for **display** purposes in operation 6006. Further, in operation 6008, payment is accepted in exchange for the selected **items** and the selected features thereof. It should be noted that: in the foregoing description, the **items** each include either a **product** or a 10 service or both, and may also include third party **products** and services.

While the available features which are **displayed**, the features of the items that are unavailable are hidden. Further, the selected features are...prospective customers on goods and services desired, to transmit to customers information on the desired **goods** or services from the central data processing center, to take orders for **goods** or services from customers and transmit them for processing to the central data processing center, to accept payment, and to deliver **goods** or services in the form of documents to the customer when orders are completed.

The...computer systems using the well defined TCP/IP protocol, A new method of distributing and **viewing** information known as the WorldWide Web has recently become very popular on the global Internet...54. Figure 61 illustrates the operation in more detail. In operation 6102, a plurality of **items**, i.e. **products** or services, are **displayed** for purchase. Along with the **items** being **displayed** for purchase, or on a subsequent page or pages, advertisement information which relates to at least one of the **items** **displayed** for purchase are **displayed** in operation 6103. Figure 62 provides more detail of operation 6103. The advertisements are preferably preassociated with individual **items** or may be associated with an entire classes of **items** in operation 6200. When the **items** are selected for **display**, one or more of the advertisements is automatically **displayed** as well in operation 6202.

In operation 6204, if there are many advertisements, the advertisements are rotated so that each gets an equal amount of **display** time, or according to the premium paid by the advertiser. A user is permitted to select the **items** for purchase, as indicated by operation 6104. Payment is then accepted in exchange for the selected **items** in operation 6105. While the virtual shopping environment is being used, advertisement information may be **displayed** which relates to at least one of the **items** for purchase and also relates to the user based on the profile of the user...

...Then the advertiser would be billed based upon the number of times its advertisement was **shown**. Note that the **items** each include at least one of a **product** and a service.

As an option, the advertisement information may further include promotion information or...

...the screen, such as horizontally scrolling image region at the top or bottom of the **display** and the remainder of the screen is occupied by advertisements, including commercials and the ...with computer programs such that they cannot be easily updated.

#### QUOTE OF PRICE AND AVAILABILITY

**Displays** list price  
**Displays** promotional pricing based on **product**  
**Displays** promotional pricing based on user  
**Displays** user specific pricing  
Handles multiple currency  
Provides general availability  
Provides user specific availability  
Saves quote...

...The virtual shopping environment is tailored automatically based on the user profile.

A plurality of **items** (i.e., **products** or services) for purchase are **displayed**, as discussed above.

One example would be selecting at least one **item**, for purchase based on the profile of the user in operation 6304 and **displaying** those **items** before other items in operation 6306. For example, the **items** may be placed in groups, the groups being based on estimated buying tendencies.

15 Then, **items** from the group most closely matching the user's buying tendency, as determined above, are **displayed**. Further, the user is allowed to select the items for purchase in operation 6308. Factors... the single-computer type of software license might not cover the usage of the software **product** on the network, or worse still (from the point of **view** of the licensor) might actually permit such a usage without additional compensation to the...

...software, regardless of the number of nodes either on the network or running the software **product** at a given time. These approaches, however, have usually required the cooperation of the licensee...electronic commerce component of the present invention has the purpose of capturing interest in a **product**, service, or promotion. The invention sends leads, notices, and advertisements to sales effectiveness systems where the leads are **displayed** or disseminated to users. A database of the leads may be kept and updated as...

...of performing transactions at or as close as possible to the "market" price of the **goods**. By definition, the market price is the price (in given currency terms) that a fully...

...invention-fixed income securities. These trading activities focus on the buying and selling of essentially **fungible items**, that is, **items** that are without meaningful differentiation from like items on the

market. For example, a bushel...database in operation 6903, thereby ensuring up to the minute accuracy. In operation 6801, an **item** for purchase with a set of features is selected based on the user profile and is **displayed**. The **item** may be selected from a group of **items** having characteristics that corresponds to a predieted buying patterri of the user. The presentation of...

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**NETWORK AND LIFE CYCLE ASSET MANAGEMENT IN AN E-COMMERCE ENVIRONMENT AND METHOD THEREOF**

**GESTION D'ACTIFS DURANT LE CYCLE DE VIE ET EN RESEAU DANS UN ENVIRONNEMENT DE COMMERCE ELECTRONIQUE ET PROCEDE ASSOCIE**

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... transport medium between the client and the Newco. HTTP or other protocols could be readily **substituted** for HTML without undue experimentation.

Information on these products is available in T. Berners-Lee...electronic arrangements to be formed between subsets of parties in a WAF supported electronic value **chain** model. These multiple agreements together comprise a WAF value chain "extended" agreement. WAF allows such...pricing information by reviewing competitors' advertisements, printed or otherwise, by actual shopping of competitors and **viewing** of price tags in a competitor's store or outlet, or from a customer at...

Claim

... inventory launch/rollout  
management 0 Technology  
0 Technology Sharing  
sharing  
Main Enablers  
Collaborative 0 Supply **chain** E Electronic **order** N Asset tracking  
tool 0 Plaru  
planning tool planning tool-capture 0 Life cycle E...p-Kdmrn7-j  
Management Jr  
LIPlan a saini system  
53 2 5330  
Figure 53  
FACILITATINGPURCHASEOFATLEASTONEOFPRODUCTSANDSERVICESVIAA  
**DISPLAYED** CATALOG  
5402  
OUTPUTTING DATA RELATING TO AT LEAST ONE OF THE **PRODUCTS** AND SERVICES  
b4U4  
OUTPUTTING A COMPARISON BETWEEN DIFFERENT **PRODUCTS** AND SERVICES,,@  
RECEIVING DATA RELATING TO USER REQUIREMENTS AND OUTPUTTING A 5406  
RECOMMENDATION OF AT...  
...ORDER IS PROCESSED  
5418  
OWTPUTTING A STATUS OF DELIVERY FOR AT LEAST ONE OF THE **PRODUCTS** A  
SERVICES FOR WHICH THE ORDER IS PROCESSED  
5300 Figure 54  
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**DISPLAYING** A PLURALITY OF **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE 5500  
ALLOWING A USER TO SELECT A PREDETERMINED SET OF THE **ITEMS** FOR  
PURCHASE  
5502  
ACCEPTING PAYMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR THE PREDETERMINED SET OF ITEMS 5504  
STORING...  
...PREDETERMINED SET OF  
ITEMS AT A LATER TIME WITHOUT HAVING TO SELECT EACH OF THE **ITEMS**  
INDIVIDUALLY  
5508  
Figure 56.  
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DEVELOPING A USER PROFILE  
5601  
**DISPLAYING** A PLURALITY OF **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE  
5602  
ALLOWING A USER TO SELECT A SET OF SIMILAR **ITEMS** TO COMPARE  
5603  
DETERMINING A SET OF FEATURES OF THE SIMILAR ITEMS  
5604  
UTILIZING THE...KEYWORDS MATCH  
5614  
Figure 57  
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.....  
ANALYZING USER REQUIREMENTS  
5802  
I F  
REVIEWING AVAILABLE **PRODUCTS**  
5804  
GENERATING AT LEAST ONE RECOMMENDED SOLUTION BASED ON THE USER 5806

REQUIREMENTS

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**DISPLAYING** THE AT LEAST ONE RECOMMENDED SOLUTION

5808

ACCEPTING PAYMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR THE AT LEAST ONE SOLUTION

Figure 58 5810

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PREASSOCIATING **ITEMS** WITH KEYWORDS

SELECTING **ITEMS** BASED ON KEYWORD TAKEN FROM THE USER 5902  
INPUT

5904

**DISPLAYING** AN **ITEM** WHEN A KEYWORD INPUT BY THE USER  
MATCHES A KEYWORD ASSOCIATED WITH THE **ITEM**

IF NO KEYWORDS MATCH, ANALYZING THE USER'S WORDS USING A 5906  
THESAURUS TO FIND KEYWORD MATCHES

Figure 59

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**DISPLAYING** A PLURALITY OF **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE, WHEREIN EACH OF THE  
**ITEMS**

INCLUDES A PLURALITY OF AVAILABLE FEATURES

6002

**DISPLAYING** THE AVAILABLE FEATURES OF THE **ITEMS**

6003

ALLOWING A USER TO SELECT THE AVAILABLE FEATURES OF EACH OF THE **ITEMS**  
TO BE PURCHASED 6004

6006

DETERMINING A PRICE AND AVAILABILITY OF THE SELECTED ITEMS AND THE  
SELECTED FEATURES THEREOF AND **DISPLAYING** THE SAME  
ACCEPTING PAYMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR THE SELECTED ITEMS AND THE  
SELECTED FEATURES THEREOF 6008

Figure 60

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**DISPLAYING** A PLURALITY OF **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE 6102

**DISPLAYING** ADVERTISEMENT INFORMATION WHICH RELATES TO AT LEAST ONE OF  
THE **ITEMS** **DISPLAYED** FOR PURCHASE 6103

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ALLOWING A USER TO SELECT THE **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE

6104

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ACCEPTING PAYMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR THE SELECTED ITEMS

6106

Figure 61

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PREASSOCIATING ADVERTISEMENTS WITH INDIVIDUAL ITEMS OR WITH  
ENTIRE CLASSES OF **ITEMS**

AUTOMATICALLY **DISPLAYING** ONE OR MORE OF THE 6202

ADVERTISEMENTS WHEN THE **ITEMS** ARE SELECTED FOR **DISPLAY**  
ROTATING THE ADVERTISEMENTS SO THAT EACH GETS AN EQUAL 6204  
AMOUNT OF **DISPLAY** TIME, OR ACCORDING TO THE PREMIUM PAID B  
THE ADVERTISER

Figure 62

6103

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...THE USERS FOR THE  
UPCOMING EVENTS

5306

Figure 67

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DEVELOPING A USER PROFILE

**DISPLAYING AN ITEM FOR PURCHASE WITH A SET OF FEATURES 6801**  
CUSTOMIZING THE PRESENTATION OF THE SET OF...

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**COLLABORATIVE CAPACITY PLANNING AND REVERSE INVENTORY MANAGEMENT DURING  
DEMAND AND SUPPLY PLANNING IN A NETWORK-BASED SUPPLY CHAIN ENVIRONMENT  
AND METHOD THEREOF**

**PLANIFICATION EN COLLABORATION DES CAPACITES ET GESTION ANTICIPEE DES  
STOCKS LORS DE LA PLANIFICATION DE L'OFFRE ET DE LA DEMANDE DANS UN  
ENVIRONNEMENT DE CHAINE D'APPROVISIONNEMENT FONDEE SUR LE RESEAU ET  
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Claims

Detailed Description

... a flowchart for a process 1 000 for managing assets in a network-based supply **chain** in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention. Utilizing a network, information is received...is for nomadic use, such as field technicians. The first environment requires a graphic intensive **display**, such as those provided by X-Windows/1 40TIF. The second environment is potentially bandwidth...Time and Time Offset. Continuing to step 3804, the new time and Time Offset are **displayed** back to the switch operator. Continuing to step 3806, the switch operator must verify the...HP OV Network Node Manager Network MM 4612 - HP OpenView Network Node Manager is one **product** which performs several functions. In this context it is responsible for maintaining and



**displaying** the node level network map of the network the MNSIS architecture monitors.

HP OV Network Node Manager 4614 - HP OpenView Network Node Manager is one **product** which performs several functions. In this context it is responsible for receiving and **displaying** all events, regardless of their source.

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Netcool HP OV NNM Probe 4616 - An Omnibus...purchasing habits can provide invaluable marketing information. For example, retailers can create more effective store **displays** and more effective control inventory than otherwise would be possible if they knew consumer...invention may be employed in the generation of an Internet architecture framework like the one **shown** in Figure 53 to support various features such as an electronic commerce component 5300, a...this information.

COMMERCE-RELATED WEB APPLICATION SERVICES

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One embodiment of the present invention, as **shown** in Figure 54, is provided for affording a combination of commerce-related web application services. Various features are included such as allowing purchase of **products** and services via a **displayed** catalog in operation 5400. As an option, a virtual shopping cart environment may be provided. Further, in operations 5402 and 5404, data, i.e. specifications, details, etc., relating to the **products** and services are **displayed** along with a comparison between different **products** and services. Data relating to needs of a user may also be received for the purpose of outputting a recommendation of the **products** and services based on the inputted needs. See operation 5406. Optionally, features of the **products** and services may be selected in operation 5408 based on user profile in order to...

...shipping fee are calculated. A status of delivery for one or more of the ordered **products** and services may be provided in operation 5418.

Optionally, the **displayed** catalog may be customized based upon the user profile. Further, the data relating to at least one of the **products** and services may include a link to related data. The comparison between different products and...throughout catalog

Incorporates multiple languages and localized content

Integrates to centralized publishing for fresh content

**Displays** guest **view** of catalog (default set)

Creates personal catalog

Referring to operation 5400 of Figure 54, one...

...of the electronic commerce component of the present invention is provided for allowing purchase of **products** and services via a **display** catalog. The **display** catalog may **display** linkable pictures, such as visual representations of **products** for sale. The **display** catalog may also **display** linkable text which could represent a **product** or family of **products**, as well as services offered. Other linkable text or pictures could be implemented to provide multiple ways to traverse the **display** catalog to ease navigation along a page or between various pages. An exemplary link would...

...user profile. For example, the user may be permitted to customize the format of the **display** catalog for his or her particular session, or the customizations may be saved so that the user's

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**PRODUCT** DETAILS AND SPECIFICATIONS

Links to all related documentation (datasheets, whitepapers)  
Drills-down for additional detail...

- ...to centralized publishing for integrity
  - Downloads information
  - Tracks downloads for proactive notification (spec updates)
  - As **shown** in Figure 54, operation 5402 outputs data relating to at least one of the **products** and services. Such data may include details of the products or services as well as...
- ...most salient features may be linked to a smaller or more generic picture of the **product** on a page **displaying** various similar **products**. More links may be used on the page **displaying** the data to obtain additional detail.

Optionally, the data may be integrated to centralized publishing...

- ...download, such as when updates to a specification are sent or received.

#### SHOPPING CART

Stores **items** selected throughout shopping experience  
Saves shopping carts to be retrieved at later point  
**Displays** quantity, price, shipping info, total price  
Modifies order information (add quantities, delete **items**)  
Incorporates multiple languages and currency  
Accessible easily throughout catalog  
As **shown** in Figure 55, one embodiment of the electronic commerce component of the present invention is provided for facilitating a virtual shopping transaction. First, a plurality of **items**,

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Ideally, a quantity and a price of each of the **items** that is selected is **displayed** during use of the present invention. Also **displayed** is a total price of the **items** that are selected along with shipping information. During use, the user is allowed to modify...

- ...be separately stored for later review and modification. Retrieval of the set or sets of **items** should be easily accessible throughout the **display** catalog, such as through links.

Optionally, multiple languages may be incorporated into the present invention...functions associated I 0 with the shopping basket, there are a function to take the **items** into the shopping basket (add to the purchase list), a function to check the contents of the shopping basket (**display** the purchase list), a function to return the **item** in the shopping basket (change the purchase list) and a function to purchase the items...

- ...Web. As another method of proving the shopping basket, there is a method for separately **displaying** an **item** catalog area and a shopping basket area. Such a function is used in the shopping...

- ...he or she examines the content of the shopping basket as required to check the **item** scheduled to purchase and the pay amount of the **items**. Accordingly, it is not necessary to always **display** the purchase list on the screen, but the functions to access to the shopping basket for taking in the **items** and to **display** the contents should be available to the consumer any time during the shopping.

As described...

...the item catalog, the entire length of the page changes depending on the amount of **item** data described on the catalog, the page may not be accommodated on the **display** screen. In such a case, it is necessary for the consumer to scroll the page...

...provided as a separate shopping basket window from a catalog window on which online shop **item** data is **displayed**. The shopping basket window is **displayed** on the catalog window and a **display** position is moved in linkage with the movement of a mouse pointer. The shopping basket includes a list of **items** to be purchased which is a main body of the shopping basket, a function to add the item data to the list, and a function to change the **item** data registered in the list. In one embodiment of the present invention, the shopping basket main body is not always **displayed**.

Instead, an interface function to **display** the shopping basket contents on the screen is provided on the shopping basket window.

#### COMPARE **PRODUCTS** AND SERVICES

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One embodiment of the present invention provides for comparison shopping by utilizing the customer's profile to prioritize the features of a group of similar, competing **products**, as **shown** in operation 5404 of Figure 54. The competing **products** may or may not have been manufactured by competing business entities. More detail is provided...

...be downloaded periodically from a user's system. Next, in operation 5601, a plurality of **items** for purchase are **displayed**, from which the customer is allowed to select multiple, similar **items**, i.e. **products** or services to compare in 15 ...is determined in operation 5603, operation 5604 creates a hierarchy of the features of the **items** selected in accordance with the customer's profile. For example, as **shown** in Figure 57, a comparison of features based on keywords taken from the customer's...

...solution is generated based on the requirements of the user after which the solution is **displayed**, as indicated in operation 5808. Figure 59 provides an example of operation 5806. The **items** would be preassociated with keywords in operation 5900. In operation 5902, selection of items based...

...be performed. When a keyword input by the user matches a keyword associated with an **item**, the **item** is **displayed** in operation 5904. If no keywords match, the user's words could be analyzed using...

...method, system, and article of manufacture is provided for allowing a user to customize an **item** for purchase in a virtual shopping environment, as **shown** in

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Figure 54, operation 5408. Figure 60 provides more detail. Referring to Figure 60, a plurality of **items** for purchase are first **displayed** in operation 6002, as discussed above. Each of the **items** includes a plurality of available features which are **displayed** in operation 6003, preferably with the price of each feature, including cost for adding the ...

...an option, a total price and availability may be determined with respect to the selected **items** and the selected features thereof for **display** purposes in operation 6006. Further, in operation 6008, payment is accepted in exchange for the selected **items** and the selected features

thereof. It should be noted that in the foregoing description, the **items** each include either a **product** or a service or both, and may also include third party **products** and services.

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While the available features which are **displayed**, the features of the **items** that are unavailable are hidden. Further, the selected features are stored for allowing the user...customers are using the service. One reason that Home Banking has not been a successful **product** is because the customer cannot deposit and withdraw money as needed in this type of ...54. Figure 61 illustrates the operation in more detail. In operation 6102, a plurality of **items**, i.e. **products** or services, are **displayed** for purchase. Along with the **items** being **displayed** for purchase, or on a subsequent page or pages, advertisement information which relates to at least one of the **items**

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**displayed** for purchase are **displayed** in operation 6103. Figure 62 provides more detail of operation 6103. The advertisements are preferably preassociated with individual **items** or may be associated with an entire classes of **items** in operation 6200. When the **items** are selected for **display**, one or more of the advertisements is automatically **displayed** as well in operation 6202.

hi operation 6204, if there are many advertisements, the advertisements are rotated so that each gets an equal amount of **display** time, or according to the premium paid by the advertiser. A user is permitted to select the **items** for purchase, as indicated by operation 6104. Payment is then accepted in exchange for the selected **items** in operation 6105. While the virtual shopping environment is being used, advertisement information may be **displayed** which relates to at least one of the **items** for purchase and also relates to the user based on the profile of the user...

...Then the advertiser would be billed based upon the number of times its advertisement was **shown** Note that the **items** each include at least one of a **product** and a service.

1 5 As an option, the advertisement information may further include promotion...

...along the periphery of the screen. In some contexts, such as cable television channels that **display** a "stock ticker tape," this relationship is reversed: the

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information portion of the screen...

...techniques used in cable television and other television contexts,

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QUOTE OF PRICE AND AVAILABILITY

**Displays** list price

**Displays** promotional pricing based on **product**

**Displays** promotional pricing based on user

**Displays** user specific pricing

Handles multiple currency

Provides general availability

Provides user specific availability

1 5...

...The virtual shopping environment is tailored automatically based on the

user profile.

A plurality of **items** (i.e., **products** or services) for purchase are **displayed**, as discussed above.

One example would be selecting at least one **item** for purchase based on the profile of the user in operation 6304 and **displaying** those **items** before other **items** in operation 6306. For example, the **items** may be placed in groups, the groups being based on estimated buying tendencies.

Then, **items** from the group most closely matching the user's buying tendency, as determined above, are **displayed**. Further, the user is allowed to select the **items** for purchase in operation 6308. Factors that are tailored include price and availability of the **items**. Payment is then accepted in exchange for the selected **items** in operation 6310, as discussed in more detail below.

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The virtual shopping environment may be tailored by generating prices associated with the **items** based on the profile of the user. As an option, some or all of the...the single-computer type of software license might not cover the usage of the software **product** on the network, or worse still (from the point of **view** of the licensor) might actually permit such a usage without additional compensation to the licensor... invention--fixed income securities. These trading activities focus on the buying and selling of essentially **fungible items**, that is, **items** that are without meaningful differentiation from like items on the market. For example, a bushel...All or selected messages may be stored to build a customer interaction history.

#### DYNAMIC RENDERING

**Displays** content and applications based on profile

Pulls content from multiple data sources: static, database, third...

...component of the present invention also provides for generic and custom template based publishing by **displaying** selected content and applications based on the profile of a user. Note operation 6614 of...

#### Claim

... Reverse inventory

0 Technology

management Sharing

0 Technology

sharing

Main Enable

N Collaborative 0 Supply **chain** 0 Electronic **order** E Asset tracking

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planning tool planning tool capture 0 Life cycle N...serv System

Community Data

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FACILITATING PURCHASE OF AT LEAST ONE OF **PRODUCTS** AND SERVICES VIA A **DISPLAYED** CATALOG

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OUTPUTTING DATA RELATING TO AT LEAST ONE OF THE **PRODUCTS** AND SERVICES

OUTPUTTING A COMPARISON BETWEEN DIFFERENT **PRODUCTS** AND SERVICES/@

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RECEIVING DATA RELATING TO USER REQUIREMENTS AND OUTPUTTING A 5406

RECOMMENDATION OF...

...ORDER IS PROCESSED

5418

OUTPUTTING A STATUS OF DELIVERY FOR AT LEAST ONE OF THE **PRODUCTS** AND SERVICES FOR WHICH THE ORDER IS PROCESSED

5300 Figure 54

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**DISPLAYING** A PLURALITY OF **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE 5500

ALLOWING A USER TO SELECT A PREDETERMINED SET OF THE **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE

550:

ACCEPTING PAYMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR THE PREDETERMINED SET OF **ITEMS** 5504  
STORING...

...PREDETERMINED SET OF

**ITEMS** AT A LATER TIME WITHOUT HAVING TO SELECT EACH OF THE **ITEMS** INDIVIDUALLY @7

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Figure 55

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DEVELOPING A USER PROFILE 5600

5601

**DISPLAYING** A PLURALITY OF **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE

5602

ALLOWING A USER TO SELECT A SET OF SIMILAR **ITEMS** TO COMPARE

5603

-DETERMINING A SET OF FEATURES OF THE SIMILAR **ITEMS**  
UTILIZING THE USER...

...IF NO KEYWORDS MATCH

5614

Figure 57

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ANALYZING USER REQUIREMENTS

5M

REVIEWING AVAILABLE **PRODUCTS**

5800

5806

GENERATING; AT LEAST ONE RECOMMENDED SOLUTION BASED ON THE USER REQUIREMENTS

**DISPLAYING** THE AT LEAST ONE RECOMMENDED SOLUTION

580f

ACCEPTING PAYMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR THE AT LEAST ONE SOLUTION

Figure 58

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PREASSOCIATING, **ITEMS** WITH KEYWORDS

5902

SELECTING **ITEMS** BASED ON KEYWORD TAKEN FROM THE USER INPUT

**DISPLAYING** AN **ITEM** WHEN A KEYWORD INPUT BY THE USER 5904

MATCHES A KEYWORD ASSOCIATED WITH THE **ITEM**

5906

IF NO KEYWORDS MATCH, ANALYZING THE USER'S WORDS USING A THESAURUS TO FIND KEYWORD MATCHES

Figure 59

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**DISPLAYING** A PLURALITY OF **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE, WHEREIN EACH OF THE

**ITEMS**

INCLUDES A PLURALITY OF AVAILABLE FEATURES

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**DISPLAYING** THE AVAILABLE FEATURES OF THE **ITEMS**

6003

ALLOWING A USER TO SELECT THE AVAILABLE FEATURES OF EACH OF THE **ITEMS**  
TO BE PURCHASED 6004

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6006

DETERMINING A PRICE AND AVAILABILITY OF THE SELECTED **ITEMS** AND THE  
SELECTED FEATURES THEREOF AND **DISPLAYING** THE SAME

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ACCEPTING PAYMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR THE SELECTED **ITEMS** AND THE  
SELECTED FEATURES THEREOF 60M

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**DISPLAYING** A PLURALITY OF **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE

6102

**DISPLAYING** ADVERTISEMENT INFORMATION WHICH RELATES TO AT LEAST ONE OF  
THE **ITEMS** **DISPLAYED** FOR PURCHASE

6103

ALLOWING A USER TO SELECT THE **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE

6104

ACCEPTING PAYMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR THE SELECTED **ITEMS**

6106

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PREASSOCIATING ADVERTISEMENTS WITH INDIVIDUAL **ITEMS** OR WITH  
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AUTOMATICALLY **DISPLAYING** ONE OR MORE OF THE 6202

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ROTATING THE ADVERTISEMENTS SO THAT EACH GETS AN EQUAL 6204

AMOUNT OF **DISPLAY** TIME, OR ACCORDING TO THE PREMIUM PAID BY

THE ADVERTISER

Figure 62

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UPCOMING EVENTS

5306

Figure 67

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DEVELOPING A USER PROFILE

**DISPLAYING** AN **ITEM** FOR PURCHASE WITH A SET OF FEATURES 6801

CUSTOMIZING THE PRESENTATION OF THE SET OF...

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**METHOD FOR AFFORDING A MARKET SPACE INTERFACE BETWEEN A PLURALITY OF  
MANUFACTURERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS AND INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT VIA A  
MARKET SPACE INTERFACE**

**PROCEDE DE MISE A DISPOSITION D'UNE INTERFACE D'ESPACE DE MARCHE ENTRE UNE  
PLURALITE DE FABRICANTS ET DES FOURNISSEURS DE SERVICES ET GESTION  
D'UNE INSTALLATION VIA UNE INTERFACE D'ESPACE DE MARCHE**

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0 Technology Sharing

sharing

Main Enablers

0 Collaborative N Supply **chain** N Electronic **order** 0 Asset tracking  
tool N PI

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@7. 5330

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Figure 53

FACILITATINGPURCHASEOFATLEASTONEOFPRODUCTSANDSERVICESVIAA

**DISPLAYED** CATALOG

IF 5402

OUTPUTTING DATA RELATING TO AT LEAST ONE OF THE **PRODUCTS** AND SERVICES

OUTPUTTING A COMPARISON BETWEEN DIFFERENT **PRODUCTS** AND SERVICESe@@,@

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RECEIVING DATA RELATING TO USER REQUIREMENTS AND OUTPUTTING A 5406

RECOMMENDATION OF...

...PROCESSED :@y

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OUTPUTTING A STATUS OF DELIVERY FOR AT LEAST ONE OF THE **PRODUCTS** AND  
SERVICES FOR WHICH THE ORDER IS PROCESSED

Figure 54

5300

**DISPLAYING** A PLURALITY OF **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE 5500

ALLOWINGAUSERTOSELECTAPREDETERMINEDSETOFTHEITEMSFOR

PURCHASE

5502

F

ACCEPTING PAYMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR THE PREDETERMINED SET OF **ITEMS** 5504

5506

STORING THE PREDETERMINED SET OF ITEMS



ALLOWING THE USER TO COLLECTIVELY SELECT THE PREDETERMINED SET OF  
**ITEMS** AT A LATER TIME WITHOUT HAVING TO SELECT EACH OF THE **ITEMS**  
INDIVIDUALLY

5508

Figure 55

DEVELOPING A USER PROFILE

**DISPLAYING** A .PLURALITY OF **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE 5601

5602

ALLOWING A USER TO SELECT A SET OF SIMILAR **ITEMS** TO COMPARE

5603

, DETERMINING A SET OF FEATURES OF THE SIMILAR **ITEMS**

UTILIZING THE USER PROFILE TO DETERMINE A HIERARCHY OF THE 5604

FEATURES... KEYWORD MATCHES IF NO KEYWORDS MATCH

5614

Figure 57

ANALYZING USER REQUIREMENTS

5802

REVIEWING AVAILABLE **PRODUCTS**

5804

F

GENERATING AT LEAST ONE RECOMMENDED SOLUTION BASED ON THE USER 5806  
REQUIREMENTS

**DISPLAYING** THE AT LEAST ONE RECOMMENDED SOLUTION

5808

ACCEPTING PAYMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR THE AT LEAST ONE SOLUTION

Figure 58 5810

PREASSOCIATING **ITEMS** WITH KEYWORDS 5900

SELECTING **ITEMS** BASED ON KEYWORD TAKEN FROM THE USER 5902

INPUT

5904...

... WITH THE **ITEM**

IF NO KEYWORD MATCH, ANALYZING THE USER'S WORDS USING A 5906

THESAURUS TO FIND KEYWORD MATCHES

Figure 59

5906

**DISPLAYING** A PLURALITY OF **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE, WHEREIN EACH OF THE  
**ITEMS**

INCLUDES A PLURALITY OF AVAILABLE FEATURES

6002

**DISPLAYING** THE AVAILABLE FEATURES OF THE **ITEMS**

6003

ALLOWING A USER TO SELECT THE AVAILABLE FEATURES OF EACH OF THE **ITEMS**  
TO BE PURCHASED 6004

6006

DETERMINING A PRICE AND AVAILABILITY OF THE SELECTED **ITEMS** AND THE  
SELECTED FEATURES THEREOF AND **DISPLAYING** THE SAME

ACCEPTING PAYMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR THE SELECTED **ITEMS** AND THE  
SELECTED FEATURES THEREOF 6008

Figure 60

**DISPLAYING** A PLURALITY OF **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE

6102

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**DISPLAYING** ADVERTISEMENT INFORMATION WHICH RELATES TO AT LEAST ONE OF  
THE **ITEMS** **DISPLAYED** FOR PURCHASE 6103

ALLOWING A USER TO SELECT THE **ITEMS** FOR PURCHASE

6104

ACCEPTING PAYMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR THE SELECTED **ITEMS**

6106

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PREASSOCIATING ADVERTISEMENTS WITH INDIVIDUAL ITEMS OR WITH 6200  
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**METHODS OF PROVIDING AND OBTAINING INFORMATION, ITEMS, ORDERS, AND DIGITAL  
REPRESENTATIONS AND USING ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS**  
**PROCEDES SERVANT A FOURNIR ET A OBTENIR DES INFORMATIONS, DES ARTICLES, DES  
COMMANDES ET DES REPRESENTATIONS NUMERIQUES ET A UTILISER DES SYSTEMES  
DE COMMUNICATION ELECTRONIQUES**

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Detailed Description

Detailed Description

... any company employee may be limited to a 1 5 remaining balance of an existing **purchase order** . An authorization **chain** , similar to the one above, could be activated if the amount of the order exceeds...

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**INTEGRATED BUSINESS-TO-BUSINESS WEB COMMERCE AND BUSINESS AUTOMATION SYSTEM**  
**SYSTEME INTEGRE D'AUTOMATISATION DES ECHANGES COMMERCIAUX ENTRE ENTREPRISES**  
**PAR L'INTERNET**

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Claims

Claim

... to satisfy user demand. The "roots" (base records) give rise to branches (derived records and **views** ) and fruits (processes) in various relationships with one another. For example, from **Items** Sold are created MWSs, based on relationships. Relation

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ships between MWSs give rise to...

...Supply

Chain Management simple and easy to implement. Referring to Figure 169, two MWSs are **shown** , one for **items** A, B and C and another for **items** X, Y and Z, resulting from respective purchase orders. The purchase orders may derive from...Ox, C3y, C3z. (Note that all of the purchase orders corresponding to all of the **items** are not **shown** in Figure 169.) Together, a PSRI function and a Supply Chain Management function

operate to...

...items. The distributor fulfills the demand by shipping the items to customers. For made-to- **order** items, the Supply **Chain** Management function "parcels out" appropriate demand information to each of Level 1 (manufacturer), Level 2...An example of the scalability of the architecture of Figure 170 and Figure 171 is **shown** in Figure 173, relating to **product** update. A **product** catalog may contain hundreds of thousands of **product** entries that must be continuously updated via the Internet. Updating involves comparing new product information...turn user-visible aspects of identified business functions on or off. That, because different domain **views** are just a different window to the same **item** sold records, a user can close a "module" simply by closing the **view** of the module. (The "undergirding" of the system, or core functionality, such as **Items** , **Item** Detail and MWSs, however, cannot be hidden.) Unlike conventional database applications, in which modules are ...

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**SYSTEM, METHOD AND COMPUTER PROGRAM FOR REPRESENTING PRIORITY INFORMATION CONCERNING COMPONENTS OF A SYSTEM**

**SYSTEME, METHODE ET ARTICLE FABRIQUE PERMETTANT DE CLASSER PAR ORDRE DE PRIORITE DES COMPOSANTS D'UNE STRUCTURE DE RESEAU NECESSAIRES A LA MISE EN OEUVRE D'UNE TECHNIQUE**

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Detailed Description

Detailed Description  
... considered.

j) What type of learning curve is associated with the tool?  
Developers using the **product** should be able to become productive quickly.

Factors which reduce the learning curve include an...Data Name  
Rationalization  
Data name rationalization tools extract information on variable usage and naming, and **show** relationships between variables. Based on these relationships and user input, these tools can then apply...the market which provide generic components for general business processes such as general ledger, sales **order** processing, inventory  
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management or product distribution. For example, IBM San Francisco offers business components...

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**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MANAGING MULTIPLE ON-LINE VENDORS THROUGH A REVERSE FRANCHISE**  
**PROCEDE ET APPAREIL DE GESTION EN LIGNE PAR FRANCHISE INVERSE DE PLUSIEURS VENDEURS**

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Application: WO 2000US11052 20000425 (PCT/WO US0011052)

Priority Application: US 99131431 19990428; US 99314837 19990519

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Claims

Claim

... WEST' 0/DERWENT, DIALOG CLASSIC, NPL (CORPORATE RESOURCENET, PROQUEST

DIRECT) search terms: reverse, auction, vendor, **chain**, merge, **order**, filter, distribute, address, amazon.com, data, inl'Orlmaioli, listing, **product**, **display**, network, site, shipment, receive, transmit, award, identifier, profit allocation, payment, retrieve  
Form PCT/ISA/210...

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**METHODS AND APPARATUSES FOR ELECTRONIC BIDDING SYSTEMS**  
**PROCEDES ET APPAREILS DESTINES A DES SYSTEMES ELECTRONIQUES D'OFFRES**

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TM TR TT TZ UA UG US UZ VN YU ZA ZW

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Detailed Description

... Perhaps best known of these is the group of hospitals which band  
together demand in

**order** to obtain hospital **chain** volume and pricing from medical  
products

companies. Such Group **Purchasing** Organizations (GPOs) combine buyers  
needs for an agreed series of products, present the request for...

Set	Items	Description
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S2	4514	(CHAIN OR CONTIGEN?)(1N)ORDER?
S3	16277914	BUYING OR BUY? ? OR SELL? ? OR SELLING OR TRANSACT? OR PUR- CHAS?
S4	672046	FUNGIBL? OR INTERCHANGE OR SUBSTITUT?
S5	26989072	PRODUCT? ? OR GOODS OR WARES OR EQUIPMENT OR MERCHANDI? OR ITEM? ?
S6	14639767	DISPLAY? OR SHOW? OR VIEW?
S7	20762	S4(2N)S5
S8	0	S2(S)S7
S9	1259	S2(S)S5
S10	298	S9(20N)S3
S11	19	S2 AND S7
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S15	93	RD (unique items)

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2343622 Supplier Number: 02343622 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**KMART SEEKS PARTNER: SUPERMARKET CHAIN WOULD GIVE IT FOOD-STORAGE CAPACITY**  
**(Kmart, a chain of 2,163 stores, wants to partner or merge with a**  
**supermarket chain; will open 30-40 stores this year and about 60 stores**  
**next year)**  
Crain's Detroit Business, p 3  
January 11, 1999  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal ISSN: 0882-1992 (United States)  
LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext  
WORD COUNT: 1084

ABSTRACT:  
...generates \$6 bil/yr from food sales and \$1.5 bil/yr from packaged food  
**products** . Groceries account for about 15% of its revenue. Kmart has 102  
Super Kmart stores which **sell** grocery **items** as well as the traditional  
**products** found in Kmart stores. By the end of this year, Kmart will  
convert 650 more...

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2331928 Supplier Number: 02331928 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**Wal-Mart Accused of Selling Bogus Goods**  
**(Wal-Mart (Bentonville, AR) faces another lawsuit over sales of counterfeit**  
**goods, this time bearing the logos of Fubu, Nautica and Polo Ralph Lauren**  
**)**  
Women's Wear Daily, v 176, n 112, p 8+  
December 14, 1998  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal ISSN: 0149-5380 (United States)  
LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext  
WORD COUNT: 924

(USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

TEXT:  
...locations. In addition, the discounter was ordered to consult with  
Hilfiger's counsel prior to **selling merchandise** bearing the Hilfiger  
trademark.

Wal-Mart has appealed the ruling.

Still to be decided is...

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2138965 Supplier Number: 02138965 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**Sharp cost-cutting efforts pay off in banner year**  
**(Drug Emporium's chainwide revenues remained at \$1.4 bil in FY97, including**  
**sales from 87 franchise locations; plans to open 10-12 new company-owned**  
**stores by end-FY98)**  
Drug Store News, v 20, n 7, p 152+



April 27, 1998

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal ISSN: 0191-7587 (United States)

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 1309

(USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

TEXT:

...central distribution center, Drug Emporium needed a way to manage the rising cost of getting **product** to a store network that's scattered over thousands of miles. With more efficient **buying** as its objective, the chain rolled up its sleeves to develop a system that minimized...

**15/3,K/4 (Item 4 from file: 9)**

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2023273 Supplier Number: 02023273 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

**In-sight: Outlook '98: Twists and turns ahead**

**(Video rental business was almost stagnant in 1997; video sales continued to rise at double-digit rates as of end-1997, but this too could stagnate soon)**

Video Business, p 18+

December 15, 1997

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal ISSN: 0279-571X (United States)

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 2855

(USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

TEXT:

...for aggressive marketing programs like Warner Home Video's Profit Plus. Second, what's a **buying** group? It may become nothing more than a co-op, much like the IGA supermarket **chain** that **orders product** for its 3,000 members, which otherwise have very little affiliation.

Marginal growth

After unveiling...

**15/3,K/5 (Item 5 from file: 9)**

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2003030 Supplier Number: 02003030 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Federated, VF Corp. Laud Quick Response As Vital Cost-Cutter**

**(Executives of Federated and VF Corp speak out on how quick response strategy is succeeding)**

Women's Wear Daily, v 174, n 95, p 1+

November 17, 1997

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal ISSN: 0149-5380 (United States)

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 1839

(USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

TEXT:

...to get your other orders held up," Cole said.

Noting that inventory buildups of poor- **selling** areas represent a major weakness in the **ordering chain**, CIT's Romer observed, "Financially, an apparel manufacturer is susceptible to vagaries of retail now. Your **product** may be **selling**, but the retailer may put your **merchandise** on hold because it has too much inventory in another department. That causes you an...

15/3,K/6 (Item 6 from file: 9)  
DIALOG(R)File 9:Business & Industry(R)  
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1848584 Supplier Number: 01848584 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**Lotus Domino.Merchant Gets Purchase Orders, SET Planned**  
**(Lotus Development Corp.'s Domino.Merchant merchant server has added purchase order payment capabilities, plus bundled CyberCash and TaxWare, with future directions that include support for Secure Electronic Transactions)**

Newsbytes News Network, p N/A  
June 02, 1997  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal ISSN: 0983-1592 (United States)  
LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext  
WORD COUNT: 530

(USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

TEXT:  
...established relationships with customers and specialized knowledge of regional, local and vertical markets. The new **purchase** order capabilities in Domino.Merchant 1.1 add the ability to use replication for submitting orders back up the **selling chain**. "(The **orders**) then be authorized through a very simple workflow and approval process," Newsbytes was told. On...

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DIALOG(R)File 9:Business & Industry(R)  
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1486001 Supplier Number: 01486001 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**A Singular Apps Suite**  
**(Lawson Software uses process suite bundling to package its enterprise business applications)**

Information Week, p 90  
May 06, 1996  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal ISSN: 8750-6874 (United States)  
LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext  
WORD COUNT: 252

(USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

TEXT:  
...In August, as part of version 7.0 of its application suite, Lawson will start **selling** a single package with all the software needed to handle a company's supply **chain**, including **order** entry, **product** selection, inventory management, packing, shipping, and billing.

The various pieces of the process will be...

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1286946 Supplier Number: 01286946 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**Varying The Tech Formula**  
(Chemical industry makes major investments in information technology, in both new technology and in way it is used)  
Information Week, n 545, p 78+  
September 18, 1995  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal ISSN: 8750-6874 (United States)  
LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext  
WORD COUNT: 1575

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TEXT:

...knit its business units together more tightly.

"To be able to share information at a **transaction** level is extremely important," says Kepler. Such tight integration makes it much easier to ship **products** among Dow divisions and joint ventures, and also provides more consistent information for decision support...

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02323637 86067525  
**Quick response in the textile-apparel industry and the support of information technologies**  
Cipriano Forza; Andrea Vinelli  
Integrated Manufacturing Systems v8n3 PP: 125-136 1997  
ISSN: 0957-6061 JRNL CODE: ING  
WORD COUNT: 7482

...TEXT: possible forecasting errors in the upstream phase are less serious than those downstream since the **products** are more **fungible**.

Organizational variables

The internal company conditions which are most binding in the process of adopting...the opportunities offered by modern technologies to redesign the processes of the entire textile-garment **chain**. In **order** to achieve this very difficult aim, serious business process re-engineering is necessary, as well....

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DIALOG(R)File 15:ABI/Inform(R)  
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02271186 86923100  
**An evaluation of supply chain performance in the Canadian pork sector**  
K.K. Klein; A.M. Walburger; M.D. Faminow; B. Larue; R. Romain; K. Foster  
Supply Chain Management vln3 PP: 12 1996  
ISSN: 1359-8546 JRNL CODE: SCMG  
WORD COUNT: 7173

...ABSTRACT: increased foreign competition is emphasized and the need for Canada to develop an effective supply **chain** in **order** to maximize its potential is stressed.

...TEXT: environment where producers and packing firms behave competitively and allow pork to compete well with **substitute products** ?

Various performance indicators were used to evaluate these supply chain goals. They were developed from...quality are beginning to compare with Canadian standards, and owing to vertical integration.

#### Competitiveness with **substitute products**

The availability of close substitutes provides some discipline to ensure efficient production. The degree of substitutability and growth in demand of **substitute products** are important factors in competitiveness.

Cross-elasticities of demand between pork and other meat products...

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#### **The effect of governance structure on performance: A case study of efficient consumer response**

Whipple, Judith Schmitz; Frankel, Robert; Anselmi, Kenneth

Journal of Business Logistics v20n2 PP: 43-62 1999

ISSN: 0735-3766 JRNL CODE: JBL

WORD COUNT: 7865

...TEXT: weather events that severely affect agriculture can have serious ripple effects throughout the food supply **chain** .

In **order** to provide protection from these potential problems, the TCA framework recommends using vertical integration when... indicates a situation in which supplier transaction-specific assets are low, such as with easily **substitutable commodity products** . In addition, there is a low degree of information application, indicating that little information is...

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#### **Managing the demand chain through managing the information flow: Capturing "moments of information"**

Lummus, Rhonda R; Vokurka, Robert J

Production & Inventory Management Journal v40n1 PP: 16-20 First Quarter 1999

ISSN: 0897-8336 JRNL CODE: PIM

WORD COUNT: 2798

...TEXT: supply chain and the new demand chain. The old supply chain model contained four steps: **buy** raw materials, make finished **product** , move **goods** to market, and **sell** through retailers. This model required buffers in the form of excess capacity and inventory throughout the **chain** in **order** to protect against uncertainty. The new demand chain model

contains four similar steps, but in the reverse order: **sell** customized **product**, move to delivery based on consumption, make only those **products** for which there is known demand, and **buy** raw materials in line with accurate production. This model has demand requirements from the customer ...

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01736545 03-87535

**Radio waves**

Johnson, Jay L

Discount Merchandiser v38n10 PP: 55-58 Oct 1998

ISSN: 0012-3579 JRNL CODE: DMD

WORD COUNT: 2305

...TEXT: charges range from \$1 for a \$10 order, up to \$60 for a \$3,000 **order**

The **chain** is also in the repair business of "most major brands of electronics," even if **purchased** elsewhere. The computer repair business is growing very rapidly, Roberts reports. "Compaq is sending its...

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01670664 03-21654

**The Manufacturer-dealer disconnect**

Piszczański, Martin

Automotive Manufacturing & Production v110n7 PP: 18-19 Jul 1998

ISSN: 1086-9298 JRNL CODE: PRD

WORD COUNT: 1003

...TEXT: other.

Not surprisingly, this monster poorly communicates to factories what the public really wants to **buy**. The bottom line is that everyone loses-the customer, the retailer and the original **equipment** manufacturer (OEM). This retail/distribution mess, furthermore, leaves the entire industry vulnerable. New entrants from...

... Pacific Rim, for instance, could attain a significant competitive advantage by simply installing an efficient **selling / ordering chain**.

A complete overhaul of today's retail/distribution systems is necessary, says Martin Anderson, director...

**15/3,K/15 (Item 7 from file: 15)**

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01555469 02-06458

**Freight into Europe**

Knights, David

Management Services v41n12 PP: 26 Dec 1997

ISSN: 0307-6768 JRNL CODE: MNS  
WORD COUNT: 834

...TEXT: chain from order to remittance but this global statement has different implications within Europe. As **products** become globalised, national boundaries come to mean less to the marketing and **selling** strategies of multinational companies. Customer service and quality of delivery are now the key differentiators...

**15/3,K/16 (Item 8 from file: 15)**  
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01421964 00-72951  
**Logistics and information technology: A coordination perspective**  
Lewis, Ira; Talalayevsky, Alexander  
Journal of Business Logistics v18n1 PP: 141-157 1997  
ISSN: 0735-3766 JRNL CODE: JBL  
WORD COUNT: 5555

...TEXT: should support lower inventories and improved financial performance. But the evolution of IT and diminishing **transaction** costs will also lead to a fundamental restructuring of industry practices for distributing and supporting **products**.

The biggest impact of this restructuring will be on the intermediaries, such as distributors and...

**15/3,K/17 (Item 9 from file: 15)**  
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01206898 98-56293  
**A singular apps suite**  
Bartholomew, Doug  
Informationweek n578 PP: 90 May 6, 1996  
ISSN: 8750-6874 JRNL CODE: IWK

...ABSTRACT: of version 7.0 of its applications suite, Lawson Software will begin "process suite bundling" - **selling** a single package with all the software needed to handle a company's supply **chain**, including **order** entry, **product** selection, inventory management, packing, shipping, and billing. The various pieces of the process will be...

**15/3,K/18 (Item 10 from file: 15)**  
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01166631 98-16026  
**Make way for the next world**  
Bernard, Stan  
Pharmaceutical Executive v16n2 PP: 50-58 Feb 1996  
ISSN: 0279-6570 JRNL CODE: PHX  
WORD COUNT: 2513

...TEXT: communicate marketing messages.

A key focus for integrated care coalition partners will be to improve **purchasing** and supply chain management, areas that offer tremendous potential to increase efficiencies and reduce costs. Reengineering processes throughout the supply **chain**, including **order** fulfillment, inventory management, third-party outsourcing, warehousing, forecasting, and customer service, will yield significant competitive...

**15/3,K/19 (Item 11 from file: 15)**

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01154953 98-04348

**DuPont Lycra shifts emphasis to global brand management**

Crippen, Kaye; Tng, Pauline; Mulready, Patricia

Journal of Product & Brand Management v4n3 PP: 27-37 1995

ISSN: 1061-0421 JRNL CODE: JPB

WORD COUNT: 5674

...TEXT: extremely capital intensive, it needed to promote its brand name throughout the fiber and end- **product chain** in **order** to create brand awareness **purchase** and preference throughout the chain.

This of course also helped in **selling** its fibers to its customers, especially as other companies developed synthetic fibers. Well known early ...

**15/3,K/20 (Item 12 from file: 15)**

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01126265 97-75659

**Time-based manufacturing logistics**

Andries, B; Gelders, L

Logistics Information Management v8n6 PP: 25-31 1995

ISSN: 0957-6053 JRNL CODE: LIM

WORD COUNT: 3996

...TEXT: in the chain? Possibly, but that would be in the hypothetical case of a market **buying** all the **goods** produced. Most of the time (as Goldratt pointed out in the Haystack Syndrome) the chain...

**15/3,K/21 (Item 13 from file: 15)**

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01070709 97-20103

**How to redesign your organization to match customer needs**

Toombs, Ken; Bailey, George

Managing Service Quality v5n3 PP: 52-56 1995

ISSN: 0960-4529 JRNL CODE: MAQ

WORD COUNT: 2617

...TEXT: lowest of any offered among all competitors, or lower than some competitors or less than **substitute products** ?

Case 1: Yum Yum, Inc. rethinks its premium-priced service

Yum Yum, Inc., a distributor...

... have sophisticated space and assortment-planning functions. They only require someone to pick up their **order** .

(2) **Chain** convenience stores. Since they have limited space, in-store **merchandising** is a vital sales issue. They require in-store **merchandising** of **products** and some **selling** advice in addition to order taking.

(3) Independent grocers/pharmacists. They too have limited space...

**15/3,K/22 (Item 14 from file: 15)**

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00967778 96-17171

**Spin-off CFW spurs own crafts following**

Halverson, Richard

Discount Store News v34n2 PP: 21, 23 Jan 16, 1995

ISSN: 0012-3587 JRNL CODE: DSN

WORD COUNT: 781

...TEXT: said.

CFW customers made a clean sweep of Christmas offerings, Hunt said. Next year the **chain** will **order** more and better Christmas **goods** , including trim-a-tree, Hunt said. "We found we could **sell** better line of Christmas **goods** ."

CFW also plans to increase operational efficiency, with the eye toward better instock positions, by...

**15/3,K/23 (Item 15 from file: 15)**

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00933637 95-83029

**Give me homeowners, but hold the auto**

Cunningham, Sharon

Best's Review (Prop/Casualty) v95n7 PP: 82 Nov 1994

ISSN: 0161-7745 JRNL CODE: BIP

WORD COUNT: 784

...TEXT: have your homeowners policy, and you probably won't be asked about insuring your valuable **items** . Nor will you be offered an umbrella policy. The fast-food chain **sells** millions of extra **items** each year because its employees will mention those **items** to the customer. The agency system loses out on millions of extra dollars each year...

**15/3,K/24 (Item 16 from file: 15)**

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00850051 94-99443

**Jamesway in transition**

Johnson, Jay L

Discount Merchandiser v34n2 PP: 44-53 Feb 1994



ISSN: 0012-3579 JRNL CODE: DMD  
WORD COUNT: 3481

...TEXT: Marshalls and T.J. Maxx, and the like, but because of our size we can **buy** small quantities of **merchandise** that regional specialty retailers don't want. For instance, a **chain** recently **ordered** 3,400 dozen of a ladies' skirt. When the imported goods arrived, the chain asked ...

**15/3,K/25 (Item 17 from file: 15)**  
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00793885 94-43277  
**Winning success in aquaculture marketing**  
Garvey, Shay; Torres, Ann  
Irish Marketing Review-Dublin v6 PP: 5-12 1993  
ISSN: 0790-7362 JRNL CODE: IMV

...ABSTRACT: key components along a value chain in order to: 1. ensure the best supply of **product** , and 2. achieve more control over and profit from the downstream activities of **selling** and distributing. ISPG's successful trade strategy is underpinned by a coherent organization. An important...

**15/3,K/26 (Item 18 from file: 15)**  
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00782920 94-32312  
**Using vendor services**  
Deierlein, Bob  
Fleet Equipment v19n10 PP: 38-42 Oct 1993  
ISSN: 0747-2544 JRNL CODE: FEQ  
WORD COUNT: 2681

...TEXT: management of common and contract carriers; development of management information reports.

\* Operations management--Total supply **chain** management; **ordering** , control and management of stock; stock **purchasing** ; receipt and processing of orders; collections from suppliers, and receipt and storage of **goods** .

\* Customer service--Computerized order tracking; product quality control; direct delivery capabilities.

Your opinion is important...

**15/3,K/27 (Item 19 from file: 15)**  
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00727941 93-77162  
**An Examination of Reseller Buyer Attitudes Toward Order of Brand Entry**  
Alpert, Frank H.; Kamins, Michael A.; Graham, John L.  
Journal of Marketing v56n3 PP: 25-37 Jul 1992  
ISSN: 0022-2429 JRNL CODE: JMK  
WORD COUNT: 8134

...TEXT: too followers are least likely to do so. Pioneers may stimulate some healthy competition with **substitute product** categories. Hence:

H2d: Reseller buyers believe first me-too followers are most likely to create...

... several brands are already carried, Pioneers may reduce dependence on the sole supplier of a **substitute product** category. Thus:

H2a: Reseller buyers believe first me-too followers are most likely to reduce...

...all but the most voracious demand. A pioneer may fill a supply gap in a **substitute product** category. Formally, we posit that:

H2: Reseller buyers believe first me-too followers are most...affects beliefs, and thereby indirectly affects attitude and the stocking decision (i.e., the causal **chain**, entry **order** (symbol omitted) beliefs (symbol omitted) attitude (symbol omitted) behavior). Entry order also is found to ...

**15/3,K/28 (Item 20 from file: 15)**

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00636214 92-51154

**Extending Data Modeling to Cover the Whole Enterprise**

Scheer, August-Wilhelm; Hars, Alexander

Communications of the ACM v35n9 PP: 166-172 Sep 1992

ISSN: 0001-0782 JRNL CODE: ACM

WORD COUNT: 3406

...TEXT: 6).

**DEFINITION OF ANALYSIS AREAS**

Analysis areas can be functional areas of an enterprise (sales, **purchasing**, production) or process chains ( **order** process **chain** from **order** acceptance via production until shipment, **product** development process chain, etc.). The areas selected may overlap but together should cover the whole...

**15/3,K/29 (Item 21 from file: 15)**

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00162961 82-04522

**Soft Drinks Sell 12 Months a Year**

Anonymous

Discount Merchandiser v22n1 PP: 62-63 Jan 1982

ISSN: 0012-3579 JRNL CODE: DMD

ABSTRACT: In a recent study, it was found that soft drinks **sell** well throughout the year. A popular promotional **item** during holidays, soft drinks also carry weight as advertising leaders in the summer. Moreover, some...

15/3,K/30 (Item 1 from file: 16)

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07060187 Supplier Number: 59450672 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Compaq Enters Electronic Commerce Market. (Company Business and Marketing)**

SULLIVAN, THOMAS

ENT, v3, n7, p52

April 22, 1998

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext Abstract

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Professional

Word Count: 586

(USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

TEXT:

...Computer Corp. announced at the Internet Commerce Expo in Boston on March 23 electronic commerce **products** and services targeted at the **buying , selling and ordering chain .**

15/3,K/31 (Item 2 from file: 16)

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06049496 Supplier Number: 53704404 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**WAL-MART ACCUSED OF SELLING BOGUS GOODS.**

Young, Vicki M.

WWD, p8(1)

Dec 14, 1998

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade

Word Count: 920

... locations. In addition, the discounter was ordered to consult with Hilfiger's counsel prior to **selling merchandise** bearing the Hilfiger trademark.

Wal-Mart has appealed the ruling. Still to be decided is...

15/3,K/32 (Item 3 from file: 16)

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05929412 Supplier Number: 53170782 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Power Shopping Comes to Smaller Sites. (Trilogy Software Inc.'s Buying Chain 1.0 ) (Product Announcement)**

Bethoney, Herb

PC Week, p25(1)

Nov 2, 1998

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Article Type: Product Announcement

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Tabloid; General Trade

Word Count: 837

Trilogy Software Inc.'s **Buying Chain 1.0** gives smaller corporations a versatile route for automating their business-to-business **purchasing** procedures and tracking **purchase orders** .

**Buying Chain** , released last month, is an intranet-based, **buy** -side electronic commerce application that allows all employees with **purchase** rights, as defined by the server administrator, to use their Web

browser to select preferred suppliers' **products** from a corporate catalog and initiate a **purchase** order.

In PC Week Labs' tests, **Buying** Chain, designed for small to midsize organizations, provided a level of purchasing automation formerly enjoyed ...

**15/3,K/33 (Item 4 from file: 16)**

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05732572 Supplier Number: 50211147 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Skyway Announces e-Operations, a Supply Chain for Virtual Storefronts.**

Business Wire, p07301430

July 30, 1998

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Article Type: Article

Document Type: Newswire; Trade

Word Count: 519

... Operations provides the technology and operational infrastructure that virtual businesses need to plan their supply **chain**, manage **orders** and inventory, and deliver products to their customers.

It is unique in that it looks...

...that customer's demand requires supply chain planning, integrated systems, accurate and complete information on **product** availability and **substitutions**, sophisticated pricing and promotional systems, integrated supplier partnerships and fast and efficient fulfillment and transportation ...

**15/3,K/34 (Item 5 from file: 16)**

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05708409 Supplier Number: 50167595 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Drug chains move to open up shop online**

FRIED, LISA I.

Drug Store News, v20, n10, p6

July 6, 1998

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Article Type: Article

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade

Word Count: 501

... the Web than it is in the retail stores, according to Ziemke.

Longs executives think **selling** private label **merchandise** online gives their chain an online advantage over other retailers with websites. The brainchild of...

...online commerce site (www.longscen-tralvalley.comlstore) offers customers across the country the ability to **order** the **chain**'s 350 top-**selling** private label SKUs in categories such as analgesics, cough, first aid, feminine hygiene, foot care...

**15/3,K/35 (Item 6 from file: 16)**

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05677153 Supplier Number: 50158054 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Sharp cost-cutting efforts pay off in banner year**

White-Sax, Barbara

Drug Store News, p152

April 27, 1998

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Article Type: Article

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade

Word Count: 1283

... central distribution center, Drug Emporium needed a way to manage the rising cost of getting **product** to a store network that's scattered over thousands of miles. With more efficient **buying** as its objective, the chain rolled up its sleeves to develop a system that minimized...

**15/3,K/36 (Item 7 from file: 16)**

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05515340 Supplier Number: 48357072 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Sun Microsystems Showcases Manufacturing Enterprise Information Solutions at National Manufacturing Week '98.**

Business Wire, p03160269

March 16, 1998

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Newswire; Trade

Word Count: 1057

... will be able to see Java technology at work throughout the manufacturing enterprise and supply **chain** .

1. **Order** Entry - Trilogy: Trilogy Software will show its " **Selling Chain**" solution, called SCWeb, for order entry and configuration. 2. **Product** Engineering - SDRC/Metaphase: Metaphase will demonstrate e!Vista, a **Product** Data Management tool to review the requirements to produce the product. 3. Product Manufacturing Schedule...

**15/3,K/37 (Item 8 from file: 16)**

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05355162 Supplier Number: 48145301

**Continent mise sur le 'dernier m tre'**

Points de Vente, p51

Nov 26, 1997

Language: French; NONENGLISH Record Type: Abstract

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade

**ABSTRACT:**

...for 1998. This agency has developed the 'last metre' concept - the moment of deciding to **buy** . According to the principles of the C2E concept, one should display the **product** well, inform the customer about the **product** and the price, while making a reference to advertising if this is a brand, or to the image, if it is a retail **chain** , in **order** to help the consumer decide to **buy** .

**15/3,K/38 (Item 9 from file: 16)**

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05343409 Supplier Number: 48128797 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**FEDERATED, VF CORP. LAUD QUICK RESPONSE AS VITAL COST-CUTTER**

Ryan, Thomas J.

WWD, v174, n97, p1

Nov 17, 1997

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade

Word Count: 1822

... to get your other orders held up," Cole said.

Noting that inventory buildups of poor- **selling** areas represent a major weakness in the **ordering chain**, CIT's Romer observed, "Financially, an apparel manufacturer is susceptible to vagaries of retail now. Your **product** may be **selling**, but the retailer may put your **merchandise** on hold because it has too much inventory in another department. That causes you an...

**15/3,K/39 (Item 10 from file: 16)**

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05123040 Supplier Number: 47821355

**Alcatel and Trilogy Announce Agreement to Support Alcatel's Global Order-Fulfillment Process**

PR Newswire, p0707NEM002

July 7, 1997

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Newswire; Trade

Word Count: 705

... be accessed via the Internet, on an in-store kiosk, or on a laptop computer. **Selling Chain** not only configures **products**, but also generates customer-specific pricing information, creates proposals and quotes, enables access to electronic catalogs and places **orders**.

**Selling Chain**'s software modules transform every process associated with sales and marketing by providing direct links...

**15/3,K/40 (Item 11 from file: 16)**

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05016530 Supplier Number: 47366098 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Walgreens Places Initial Order For TCPI'S HealthCheck Diagnostic Products**

PR Newswire, p0506FLTU011

May 6, 1997

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Newswire; Trade

Word Count: 691

... placed its initial order for TCPI's HealthCheck(TM) line of over-the-counter diagnostic **products**. Walgreens is the largest retail pharmacy chain in the United States -- its order follows a previously announced **purchase** of HealthCheck **products** by Eckerd Corp. (NYSE: ECK), which operates more than 2,700 stores in its **chain**.

This **order** will provide each Walgreens store with more than four

test kits of each of the...

**15/3,K/41 (Item 12 from file: 16)**

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04863759 Supplier Number: 47153847 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**Trilogy Introduces Enhanced SC Pricer to Bring Enterprise-Wide Pricing Information to the Point of Sale**  
PR Newswire, p0224NYM019  
Feb 24, 1997  
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext  
Document Type: Newswire; Trade  
Word Count: 1321

... be accessed via the Internet, on an in-store kiosk, or on a laptop computer. **Selling Chain** not only configures **products**, but also generates customer-specific pricing information, creates proposals and quotes, enables access to electronic catalogs and places **orders**.

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**15/3,K/42 (Item 13 from file: 16)**

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04863758 Supplier Number: 47153846 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**Trilogy Announces Wide Deployment of SC Pricer Pricing Solution Across Industries**  
PR Newswire, p224NYM018  
Feb 24, 1997  
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext  
Document Type: Newswire; Trade  
Word Count: 1003

... be accessed via the Internet, on an in-store kiosk, or on a laptop computer. **Selling Chain** not only configures **products**, but also generates customer-specific pricing information, creates proposals and quotes, enables access to electronic catalogs and places **orders**.

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**15/3,K/43 (Item 14 from file: 16)**

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04526952 Supplier Number: 46651390 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**IMI Expands System ESS Order Management Capabilities; Demand Chain Management Solution Software Provides First Internet-Enabled Order Management Solution and New Features for Industrial Products Market.**  
Business Wire, p8261258  
August 26, 1996  
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext  
Document Type: Newswire; Trade  
Word Count: 961

... customers, System ESS provides business execution processes to

synchronize customer response and manage customer order **transactions** profitably.

System ESS is a UNIX-based, client/server software solution that provides capabilities for synchronizing the demand **chain**, including **order** management, price and promotions management, logistics management, demand replenishment, electronic commerce, global organizational management, customer...

**15/3,K/44 (Item 15 from file: 16)**

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04362148 Supplier Number: 46397520

**PeopleSoft gains support**

Computerworld, p38

May 20, 1996

Language: English Record Type: Abstract

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Tabloid; Trade

ABSTRACT:

...According to Kathy Cayton, treasurer, Mitsubishi Semiconductor America (Durham, NC) it is a risk to **buy** a nonexistent **product**, but a calculated risk. The software industry is known for vaporware. Her company uses the human resources software from People Soft. By **buying** early, being a beta partner, a company gets more input into the final **product**'s design. Corning Costar uses the supply chain, order management and manufacturing software of PeopleSoft...

**15/3,K/45 (Item 16 from file: 16)**

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04352780 Supplier Number: 46383944 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**TRILOGY ANNOUNCES SELLING CHAIN; REVOLUTIONARY SOFTWARE SUITE ENABLES BUSINESSES TO BECOME CUSTOMER-CENTRIC, GAIN A COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE**

PR Newswire, p513NEMM001

May 13, 1996

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Newswire; Trade

Word Count: 1124

... every aspect of the enterprise. Companies have the versatility to build unique systems utilizing several **Selling** Chain modules, addressing quotes, proposals, catalogs, pricing, financing, configuration and **ordering**.

**Selling** Chain creates new links between previously disjointed functions, building a complete sales cycle from initial customer contact and **product** introduction to billing **transactions** and sale completion. Among **Selling** Chain's benefits:

-- Pricing managers, marketing managers and sales managers easily maintain and distribute corporate...

**15/3,K/46 (Item 17 from file: 16)**

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04245316 Supplier Number: 46215913 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)



**AUDIO NOTES: N.Y.-based Nobody Beats the Wiz**  
Audio Week, v8, n11, pN/A  
March 11, 1996  
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext  
Document Type: Newsletter; Trade  
Word Count: 106

(USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

TEXT:

...Wiz Bucks Coupon" campaign last year and Tops ads that countered by claiming chain would **sell** same **products** covered by coupons at lower prices. Tops "No Coupons Required" ads "unequivocally communicated" that all...

**15/3,K/47 (Item 18 from file: 16)**  
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04180918 Supplier Number: 46108146 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Make Way for the Next World**

Pharmaceutical Executive, p50

Feb, 1996

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade

Word Count: 2553

... communicate marketing messages.

A key focus for integrated care coalition partners will be to improve **purchasing** and supply chain management, areas that offer tremendous potential to increase efficiencies and reduce costs. Reengineering processes throughout the supply **chain**, including **order** fulfillment, inventory management, third-party outsourcing, warehousing, forecasting, and customer service, will yield significant competitive...

**15/3,K/48 (Item 19 from file: 16)**  
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03716899 Supplier Number: 45266845 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Spin-off CFW spurs own crafts following**

Discount Store News, v0, n0, p21

Jan 16, 1995

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade

Word Count: 790

... said.

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**15/3,K/49 (Item 20 from file: 16)**  
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03486626 Supplier Number: 44874245  
**Real abre mercado para maquinas de moedas**  
South American Business Information, pN/A  
July 28, 1994  
Language: English Record Type: Abstract  
Document Type: Newswire; Trade

ABSTRACT:

...a partner of the traditional English manufacturer of machines, De La Rue, is ready to **sell**, in 1994, 150 paper money selectors and more than 3,000 coins counter. A major Brazilian supermarket **chain**, already **ordered** 20 machines that will help its employees. De La Rue holds 45% of Ensec's...

**15/3,K/50 (Item 21 from file: 16)**  
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03339485 Supplier Number: 44621404 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**F&M taking steps to put 'tough year' behind it**  
Drug Store News, v0, n0, p9  
April 25, 1994  
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext  
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade  
Word Count: 1005

... said, that 'we have to make sure we're always in stock in,' whether those **items** are currently on deal or not.

Thus, Weissert said, 'We're doing more contract **buying** ' and striving to be a 'hybrid' of deep discount and traditional buying patterns.  
'We still...

**15/3,K/51 (Item 22 from file: 16)**  
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03316387 Supplier Number: 44584070 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**Davis Rides Duet's Success With First Arista Album**  
Billboard, p8  
April 9, 1994  
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext  
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; General  
Word Count: 954

... artist that is still perceived as a new country artist,' says Wilson. 'Actually, her Capitol **product** started **selling** pretty well for us after the Reba duet became a hit.'

John 'Cadillac' Saville, music...

**15/3,K/52 (Item 23 from file: 16)**  
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02942301 Supplier Number: 43979565  
**Eclectic-look furniture store set for opening this week in Carytown**  
Richmond Times-Dispatch (VA), pE3

July 19, 1993  
Language: English Record Type: Abstract  
Document Type: Newspaper; Trade

ABSTRACT:

...upholstered with natural colors, some with exposed light woods.  
Furniture can be bought off the **selling** floor or **ordered**. The **chain**  
publishes 7 catalogs/year. President-CEO Clyde Mynatt said the eclectic  
look of the furniture...

15/3,K/53 (Item 24 from file: 16)

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02164807 Supplier Number: 42814906 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**A richer Saks must now re-dress racks**

Crain's New York Business, p1

March 8, 1992

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext  
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Tabloid; Trade  
Word Count: 1041

... An apparent cash crunch has put Saks at a competitive disadvantage  
during the current spring **selling** season. Forced to delay and cancel its  
**merchandise orders**, the **chain**'s cutting-edge fashion image has dulled.  
At the same time, big staff cutbacks have...

15/3,K/54 (Item 25 from file: 16)

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02156314 Supplier Number: 42802333 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**Home Depot to boost sales with SPI**

National Home Center News, v0, n0, p22

March 2, 1992

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext  
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade  
Word Count: 665

... order business. In many SPI outlets, up to 20,000 items are now  
available for **ordering**.

The **chain** has begun rolling out its installed sales service, through  
which it has partnerships with networks of contractors who **buy**  
**merchandise** from the chain's stores. Project quality control protocols  
have been established.

Generally, stores that...

15/3,K/55 (Item 26 from file: 16)

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01507056 Supplier Number: 41831395 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

**STRATUS IN JAPAN**

Chain Store Age Executive with Shopping Center Age, p77

Feb, 1991

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext  
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade

Word Count: 93

(USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

TEXT:

...its new store inventory management and merchandising system. The retailer, Japan's largest convenience store **chain**, **ordered** nine Stratus systems at a price tag of \$3.9 million. The systems will collect sales **transactions** from 4,200 stores and supply store managers with pricing changes, videotex-quality color images of promotional **products**, and continuously updated sales histories. Additionally, the systems will be networked to more than 300...

**15/3,K/56 (Item 1 from file: 148)**

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10815720 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 53889685 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Black bean bonuses: sideline suits this farmer by returning profits and personal satisfaction.**

Barbour, Paula

Successful Farming, 97, 1, 20(2)

Jan, 1999

ISSN: 0039-4432

LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract

WORD COUNT: 557

LINE COUNT: 00045

... and The Havana Cafe in Minneapolis, Minnesota, keeps on cooking them up in their menu **items**.

"When prices are high, I don't get quite as excited about **selling**," laughs Boyer. That may mean he can take a break from marketing this year. He...

**15/3,K/57 (Item 2 from file: 148)**

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10055175 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20365792 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**The agro-food sector in the 21st century.**

Lahidji, Reza

OECD Observer, n210, p28(4)

Feb-March, 1998

ISSN: 0029-7054

LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract

WORD COUNT: 2757

LINE COUNT: 00234

... response times and lower costs. Simultaneously, the agro-food industry will be able to disseminate **product** information widely through computer networks such as the Internet and, where appropriate, **sell products** on-line with substantial savings in distribution costs.(4) It is now estimated that electronic...

**15/3,K/58 (Item 3 from file: 148)**

DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB  
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09977991 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20162581 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

**Outlook '98: twists and turns ahead. (home video industry)**

Gaffney, John; Sweeting, Paul

Video Business, v17, n51, p18(4)

Dec 15, 1997

ISSN: 0279-571X

LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 2984

LINE COUNT: 00229

... for aggressive marketing programs like Warner Home Video's Profit Plus. Second, what's a **buying** group? It may become nothing more than a co-op, much like the IGA supermarket **chain** that **orders product** for its 3,000 members, which otherwise have very little affiliation.

Marginal growth

After unveiling...

**15/3,K/59 (Item 4 from file: 148)**

DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB

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09879108 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 19997318 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

**Federated, FV Corp. laud quick response as vital cost-cutter. (Federated Department Stores; includes related article on handling problems) (Panel Discussion)**

Ryan, Thomas J.

WWD, v174, n97, p1(4)

Nov 17, 1997

DOCUMENT TYPE: Panel Discussion

ISSN: 0149-5380

LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract

WORD COUNT: 1931

LINE COUNT: 00148

... to get your other orders held up," Cole said.

Noting that inventory buildups of poor- **selling** areas represent a major weakness in the **ordering chain**, CIT's Romer observed, "Financially, an apparel manufacturer is susceptible to vagaries of retail now. Your **product** may be **selling**, but the retailer may put your **merchandise** on hold because it has too much inventory in another department. That causes you an...

**15/3,K/60 (Item 5 from file: 148)**

DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB

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09806072 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 19910946 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

**Barr Laboratories Reports Record First Quarter EPS of \$0.45; Revenues Increase 50% to \$96 Million; Net Product Sales Climb 39%**

PR Newswire, p1023NYTH072

Oct 23, 1997

LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 1520

LINE COUNT: 00147

... capture market share, we have focused our initial promotional and marketing efforts in the retail **chain**, mail **order** and HMO classes of trade, which represent nearly 60% of the total \$500 million Warfarin...

...that DuPont Merck has made "false and/or misleading" statements related to generic Warfarin Sodium **products** and the **substitution** of those **products** for Coumadin. The FDA found that DuPont Merck was wrong to claim that generic Warfarin...

**15/3,K/61 (Item 6 from file: 148)**

DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB

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09500151 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 19436318 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Oracle adds modules to software lines: supply-chain systems available now.**

**(Oracle Supply Chain Planning, Oracle Supplier Scheduling, Oracle Product Cataloging) (Brief Article) (Product Announcement)**

Sykes, Rebecca

InfoWorld, v19, n19, p21(1)

May 12, 1997

DOCUMENT TYPE: Brief Article Product Announcement ISSN: 0199-6649

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 230 LINE COUNT: 00023

TRADE NAMES: Oracle Supply Chain Planning ( Order /inventory/  
purchasing software...

**15/3,K/62 (Item 7 from file: 148)**

DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB

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09469695 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 19387767 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

**Oracle adds supply chain modules to C/S apps. (Oracle Supply CHain Planning, Oracle Supplier Scheduling, Oracle Product Configurator) (Brief Article) (Product Announcement)**

PC Week, v14, n18, p53(1)

May 5, 1997

DOCUMENT TYPE: Brief Article Product Announcement ISSN: 0740-1604

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 143 LINE COUNT: 00016

TRADE NAMES: Oracle Supply Chain Planning ( Order /inventory/  
purchasing software...

**15/3,K/63 (Item 8 from file: 148)**

DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB

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09381857 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 19246398 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

**PeopleSoft links apps to Web; Red Pepper technology will enable users to share forms with suppliers. (to offer free Web collaboration package designed with technology obtained through acquisition of Red Pepper Software Co) (Brief Article) (Product Announcement)**

Kerstetter, Jim

PC Week, v14, n13, p69(1)

March 24, 1997

DOCUMENT TYPE: Brief Article Product Announcement ISSN: 0740-1604

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 433 LINE COUNT: 00038

TRADE NAMES: Supply Chain Collaborator ( Order /inventory/ purchasing  
software...

**15/3,K/64 (Item 9 from file: 148)**

DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB

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09377619 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 19240681 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

**Trilogy Announces SC Buying Chain Application to Automate Purchasing And Procurement Processes**

PR Newswire, p324NEM038

March 24, 1997

LANGUAGE: English      RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 671      LINE COUNT: 00063

... be accessed via the Internet, on an in-store kiosk, or on a laptop computer.

**Selling Chain** not only configures **products** but also generates customer-specific pricing information, creates proposals and quotes, enables access to electronic catalogs and places **orders**.

**Selling Chain**'s software modules transform every process associated with sales and marketing by providing direct links...

**15/3,K/65      (Item 10 from file: 148)**

DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB

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08147668      SUPPLIER NUMBER: 17417397      (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

**Varying the tech formula. (chemicals industry use of information technology) (InformationWeek 500) (Industry Overview)**

Hayes, Frank

InformationWeek, n545, p78(3)

Sep 18, 1995

DOCUMENT TYPE: Industry Overview      ISSN: 8750-6874      LANGUAGE:

English      RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract

WORD COUNT: 1490      LINE COUNT: 00124

... knit its business units together more tightly.

"To be able to share information at a **transaction** level is extremely important," says Kepler. Such tight integration makes it much easier to ship **products** among Dow divisions and joint ventures, and also provides more consistent information for decision support...

**15/3,K/66      (Item 11 from file: 148)**

DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB

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07751092      SUPPLIER NUMBER: 16681687      (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

**FASTEST GROWING ALL/STORE SERVICE:NIELSEN ALL-STORE COUNT BREAKS 13,400;**

**COMPANY EXPECTS TO TOP 16,000 BY THE THIRD QUARTER**

PR Newswire, p0320NY093

March 20, 1995

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH      RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 781      LINE COUNT: 00067

... data from all stores. The Nielsen/ems alliance offers overnight delivery of all- store, all- **item** information covering what is **selling** and why. This daily, store-specific information enables computer-assisted **ordering**, supply **chain** management, category management and continuous replenishment activities.

In addition to being the fastest growing multi...

**15/3,K/67      (Item 12 from file: 148)**

DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB

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07611438 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 15934436 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Glut of games leads to low prices. (video games)**  
Greenstein, Jane  
Video Business, v14, n47, p44(1)  
Dec 2, 1994  
ISSN: 0279-571X LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT  
WORD COUNT: 819 LINE COUNT: 00063

... reason for the low price, according to acting game buyer Mike Gimlett, is that the **chain ordered** more **product** than it could **sell**.  
According to Gimlett, the chain is "in the middle of liquidation" of its older videogame...

**15/3,K/68 (Item 13 from file: 148)**  
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07522021 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 15819630 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Demand for canvas creates anxiety. (production shortages and price increases)**  
McAllister, Robert  
Footwear News, v50, n37, p14(1)  
Sept 12, 1994  
ISSN: 0162-914X LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT; ABSTRACT  
WORD COUNT: 628 LINE COUNT: 00048

... them in white and only in a few sizes."  
Athletic retailers are welcoming anything that **sells** these days and many are frustrated with getting canvas **product** to the sales floor. Take the case of the Athlete's Foot franchise in East...

**15/3,K/69 (Item 14 from file: 148)**  
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07255819 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 15354533 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**F&M taking steps to put 'tough year' behind it. (F&M Distributors)**  
Frederick, James  
Drug Store News, v16, n7, p9(2)  
April 25, 1994  
ISSN: 0191-7587 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT  
WORD COUNT: 1037 LINE COUNT: 00079

... said, that "we have to make sure we're always in stock in," whether those **items** are currently on deal or not.  
Thus Weissert said, "We're doing more contract **buying** " and striving to be "hybrid" of deep discount and traditional buying patterns.  
"We still buy..."

**15/3,K/70 (Item 15 from file: 148)**  
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07240088 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 15350563 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Davis rides duet's success with first Arista album. (country singer Linda Davis) (Artists & Music)**



Cronin, Peter  
Billboard, v106, n15, p8(2)  
April 9, 1994  
ISSN: 0006-2510      LANGUAGE: ENGLISH      RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT; ABSTRACT  
WORD COUNT: 1006      LINE COUNT: 00074

... artist that is still perceived as a new country artist," says  
Wilson. "Actually, her Capitol **product** started **selling** pretty well for  
us after the Reba duet became a hit."

John "Cadillac" Saville, music...

**15/3,K/71      (Item 16 from file: 148)**  
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06667082      SUPPLIER NUMBER: 14074626      (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**BISG seminar examines returns, economic issues. (Book Industry Study Group)**  
Baker, John F.  
Publishers Weekly, v240, n27, p16(2)  
July 5, 1993  
ISSN: 0000-0019      LANGUAGE: ENGLISH      RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT; ABSTRACT  
WORD COUNT: 968      LINE COUNT: 00078

... acknowledged that booksellers were "at least a year away from being  
able to handle the **product** ." Agent Richard Curtis said he would not be  
surprised to see a major electronic company **buy** a major bookstore **chain**  
, in **order** to acquire an appropriate distribution outlet: "I don't see  
how it's going to...

**15/3,K/72      (Item 17 from file: 148)**  
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05143232      SUPPLIER NUMBER: 10613035      (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Measuring the bottom line impact of decision support systems. (Decision  
Support Systems) (Cover Story)**  
Robinson, Mark  
Information Executive, v4, n2, p28(5)  
Spring, 1991  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Cover Story      ISSN: 1041-9098      LANGUAGE: ENGLISH  
RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT; ABSTRACT  
WORD COUNT: 2772      LINE COUNT: 00231

... customer. Costs are incurred within an organization along the value  
chain to produce the eventual **product** /service **purchased** by the  
customer. We need to estimate the value added at each step of the value  
**chain** in **order** to quantify the value-added contributions of knowledge  
workers at each functional department.

The value...

**15/3,K/73      (Item 18 from file: 148)**  
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04605928      SUPPLIER NUMBER: 09038101      (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**All in the family. (Bashas' supermarket, Phoenix, AZ) (company profile)**  
Weinstein, Steve

Progressive Grocer, v69, n6, p67(6)  
May, 1990

DOCUMENT TYPE: company profile      ISSN: 0033-0787      LANGUAGE: ENGLISH  
RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT  
WORD COUNT: 3821      LINE COUNT: 00289

... 125,000-square-foot former El Rancho (Mayfair Markets) warehouse in Phoenix. Although Bashas' generally **buys** by vendor, it is phasing into category management, says Abraham. It uses the buyer/ **merchandiser** system, but is looking at the possibility of breaking that off and using separate buyers for repetitive orders. It also is phasing into the use of computer-generated **purchase orders**.

The **chain** also has a perishables warehouse in downtown Phoenix. This handles produce, meat, frozens and dairy...

**15/3,K/74      (Item 19 from file: 148)**

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04159398      SUPPLIER NUMBER: 08273045      (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Organization offers members programs, services (Inside AADS)**  
Chain Drug Review, v12, n7, p11(2)  
Dec 18, 1989  
ISSN: 0164-9914      LANGUAGE: ENGLISH      RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT  
WORD COUNT: 652      LINE COUNT: 00052

... the competitive position of individual chains.

But the core of AADS is a five-person **buying** staff that seeks out competitive **product** and price information on the entire range of chain drug **merchandise** from H&BAs and cosmetics to such general merchandise categories as housewares, hardware, electronics, sporting goods and automotive **products**. In addition, a separate buyer actually writes **orders** for **chain** drug store **equipment**, supplies and materials.

The problem with the **buying** staff, as Matteucci well understands, is that it has been underutilized by the retail membership...

**15/3,K/75      (Item 20 from file: 148)**

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04108603      SUPPLIER NUMBER: 07967515      (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Retailers 'raring to go' with Batman. (Batman movie in videocassette)**  
Home Video Publisher, v6, n11, p1(3)  
Sept 18, 1989  
ISSN: 0748-0822      LANGUAGE: ENGLISH      RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT  
WORD COUNT: 630      LINE COUNT: 00047

... a pre-order campaign offering Batman at \$17.49. After street date, the videos will **sell** at \$18.95. RKO Warner's Andrea O'Halloran said the **chain** will **order** as many Batman copies as it ordered for E.T. and believes Batman could "rival..."

...pre-orders but will probably pad its Batman order to be sure of getting enough **product** for Christmas **selling**. Last year it did not receive its full order for E.T., because of shortages...

**15/3,K/76      (Item 21 from file: 148)**

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03521901 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 06374482 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Recording industry to continue fight against DAT recorder sales. (digital audio tape)**

Discount Store News, v27, n10, p67(2)

May 9, 1988

ISSN: 0012-3587 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 1067 LINE COUNT: 00082

... end of April and the Harman Kardon unit possibly by July. Crazy Eddie hopes to **sell** the Harman Kardon unit for \$1,999 and the Casio for \$1,399, said David Pardo, director, marketing and **merchandising**.

Most CE manufacturers are not committing themselves even though they have DAT recorders ready to...

**15/3,K/77 (Item 22 from file: 148)**

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02826825 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 04499972 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Marketing in Canada. (Excerpted from Overseas Business Report. Related article on EXPO 86. Related article on best prospects for U.S. exports to Canada.)**

Fernandez, Kenneth L.

Business America, v9, p10(3)

April 14, 1986

ISSN: 0190-6275 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 1629 LINE COUNT: 00134

... U.S. firms prefer to appoint manufacturers' agents who regularly call on potential customers.

Consumer **goods** are **purchased** by importing wholesalers, department stores, mail-**order** houses, **chain** stores, wholesalers' and retailers' **purchasing** cooperatives, and many large, single-line retailers. Manufacturer's agents also play an important role...

**15/3,K/78 (Item 23 from file: 148)**

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02173479 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 03574824 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Dhawan, SEC accord ends suit over BTK. (Peter P. Dhawan, BTK Industries)**

Daily News Record, v14, p9(1)

Dec 28, 1984

ISSN: 0162-2161 LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 264 LINE COUNT: 00020

... the suit, the apparel wasn't shipped to the discount store chain that ordered the **goods** because the retailer hadn't paid for earlier shipments. Recognition of revenue on the so-called "bill and hold" **transactions** violated generally accepted accounting principles, the SEC contended.

Meanwhile, BTK said in El Paso, Texas...

**15/3,K/79 (Item 1 from file: 160)**

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02341894

**Dress seller to open 15 area stores**

Dallas Business Journal (TX) October 30, 1989 p. 1,31  
ISSN: 0899-4129

... or \$8, known as a 'ceiling price' concept in the apparel industry. The strategy involves **buying** leftover **merchandise** from major catalog houses, manufacturers overruns and canceled or late **orders**. The **chain** is able to **sell** for such low prices by **buying** directly from manufacturers in large volume, Barstein said. ...

**15/3,K/80 (Item 2 from file: 160)**

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01763077

**Atari gears up to battle Japanese**

San Francisco Chronicle (CA) August 26, 1987 p. 25

... addition to stereos, video cassette recorders and some other computer brands, says Tramiel. Atari will **buy** Federated in order to spread R&D expenses over a larger organization and reduce the time it takes for **products** to be accepted by dealers, not to add more Atari outlets, says Tramiel. Federated will operate as a separate subsidiary of Atari and will continue to **sell** its current **products**. Federated will become profitable again by slowing its recent expansion strategy and gaining more advertising...

**15/3,K/81 (Item 3 from file: 160)**

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01444545

**Gimbels outlet sold to Hahne's.**

RECORD (HACKENSACK,NJ) June 18, 1986 p. ecC,161

... 140 mil, 8-store chain, and a subsidiary of the \$4.1 billion Associates Dry **Goods**, **purchased** the Paramus, New Jersey, from Batus, and Batus is divesting the entire 36-store **chain** in **order** to focus on upscale retailing operations, such as its Saks Fifth Ave and Marshall Field...

**15/3,K/82 (Item 4 from file: 160)**

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01091778

**Upscale image reaps \$35 mil for Williams-Sonoma.**

MERCHANDISING September, 1984 p. 17,77

...19 retail outlets ranging in size from 1,600 to 2,600 square feet of **selling** space. In 1983, average sales rate was \$458/feet<sup>2</sup>. The firm imports around 45 percent of its **merchandise** from Europe. The firm's operations are described in detail. ...

15/3,K/83 (Item 5 from file: 160)  
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00725636

**Gottschalk's (Fresno, Calif), a department store chain, will tie at least 6 retail functions to its IBM 4341 mainframe in the Gottschalk's On Order Distribution System (GOOD).**

Chain Store Age Executive Edition January 15, 1982 p. 16,18

...ll have something better when we finally get through.' Following the 2-yr implementation period, **purchase order** management, **chain merchandising** plans, inventory control, accounts payable, freights payable, continuously updated general ledger and possibly other systems...

15/3,K/84 (Item 1 from file: 275)  
DIALOG(R)File 275:Gale Group Computer DB(TM)  
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01883611 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 17908836 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Numetrix supplies chain modules. (Supply Chain Integrator and Supply Chain Visibility CAM software) (Product Announcement) (Brief Article)**

Bucken, Michael; Harding, Elizabeth; Lawton, George; Vaughan, Jack  
Software Magazine, v15, n12, p16(1)  
Nov, 1995

DOCUMENT TYPE: Product Announcement Brief Article ISSN: 0897-8085  
LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext  
WORD COUNT: 97 LINE COUNT: 00012

TRADE NAMES: Supply **Chain** Planning ( **Order** /inventory/ **purchasing** software...

15/3,K/85 (Item 2 from file: 275)  
DIALOG(R)File 275:Gale Group Computer DB(TM)  
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01825445 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 17137197 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)  
**Supply Chain Planning. (client-server version of American Software's inventory-planning software) (Planning Software) (Brief Article) (Product Announcement)**

PC User, n260, p24(1)  
May 31, 1995

DOCUMENT TYPE: Product Announcement ISSN: 0263-5720 LANGUAGE:  
English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext  
WORD COUNT: 89 LINE COUNT: 00011

TRADE NAMES: Supply **Chain** Planning ( **Order** /inventory/ **purchasing** software...

15/3,K/86 (Item 1 from file: 636)  
DIALOG(R)File 636:Gale Group Newsletter DB(TM)  
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03846021 Supplier Number: 48361476 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)  
**SUN MICROSYSTEMS: Sun showcases manufacturing enterprise information**

**solutions**

M2 Presswire, pN/A

March 17, 1998

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Newswire; Trade

Word Count: 1058

... will be able to see Java technology at work throughout the manufacturing enterprise and supply **chain** .

1. **Order** Entry- Trilogy: Trilogy Software will show its " **Selling Chain**" solution, called SCWeb, for order entry and configuration.

2. Product Engineering - SDRC/Metaphase: Metaphase...

**15/3,K/87 (Item 1 from file: 20)**

DIALOG(R)File 20:Dialog Global Reporter

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03836309

**The old sounds that make new money**

Neil Shoebridge

ABIX - AUSTRALASIAN BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE (BUSINESS REVIEW WEEKLY) , p85

November 09, 1998

JOURNAL CODE: WBRW LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: ABSTRACT

WORD COUNT: 193

...Sanity placed pre-release orders for 35,000 copies of the album and the Target **chain** **ordered** about 20,000 copies. Retailers are saying the album could **sell** 300,000 copies by 31 December making Cold Chisel the **product** relaunch of the year

**15/3,K/88 (Item 2 from file: 20)**

DIALOG(R)File 20:Dialog Global Reporter

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02802657

**SAP Certified Business Solutions Channel Program Achieves Major Milestone With 300 Customers**

BUSINESS WIRE

September 14, 1998

JOURNAL CODE: WBWE LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 1453

... We don't have a production line in the conventional sense," Grueterich said. "Hand-sewn **products** are created individually, making it more difficult to reconcile **purchase** orders with what actually ships and when." Currently, Bruno Magli receives shipping information from its...

**15/3,K/89 (Item 3 from file: 20)**

DIALOG(R)File 20:Dialog Global Reporter

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01872233

**South Africa flirts with Ikea (Sydafrika flirtar med Ikea)**

DAGENS INDUSTRI, p16

June 05, 1998

JOURNAL CODE: WDIN LANGUAGE: Swedish RECORD TYPE: ABSTRACT

WORD COUNT: 117

... with the company when she visited Sweden last week with a trade delegation. Ikea currently **buys** SKr 100 million worth of pine **products** from South Africa and Stig Holmqvist, responsible for the company's global **buying** strategy says that figure could easily be increased to SKr 400-500 million as long...

15/3,K/90 (Item 4 from file: 20)

DIALOG(R)File 20:Dialog Global Reporter  
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01482184

**McKesson and Rite Aid Announce \$2.1-Billion Supply Management Agreement**

BUSINESS WIRE

April 27, 1998 17:20

JOURNAL CODE: WBWE LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 400

... assuming Rite Aid's supply management needs," said Eric Sorkin, Rite Aid vice president, pharmacy **purchasing**. "McKesson's innovative **chain order** management system and industry-leading logistics system gave us the confidence they will make a...

15/3,K/91 (Item 1 from file: 624)

DIALOG(R)File 624:McGraw-Hill Publications  
(c) 2003 McGraw-Hill Co. Inc. All rts. reserv.

0018214

**Information Processing**

Business Week September 1, 1986; Pg 68E; Number 2962

Journal Code: BW ISSN: 0007-7135

Section Heading: Information Processing

Word Count: 884 \*Full text available in Formats 5, 7 and 9\*

BYLINE:

EDITED BY ANNE R. FIELD

TEXT:

...to do other jobs.

PC CLONES FIND A PLACE

ON BIG RETAILERS' SHELVES

Can mass- **merchandisers** successfully **sell** sophisticated personal computers? Nobody's sure yet, but many of the nation's top retail...

15/3,K/92 (Item 1 from file: 634)

DIALOG(R)File 634:San Jose Mercury  
(c) 2003 San Jose Mercury News. All rts. reserv.

05039381

**SAFEBAY TO PAY \$66,500 IN FINES D.A. SAYS CUSTOMERS WERE OVERCHARGED**

SAN JOSE MERCURY NEWS (SJ) - Wednesday, May 17, 1989

By: ED POPE, Mercury News Consumer Writer

Edition: Morning Final Section: Local Page: 1B

Word Count: 572

...of almost \$1 a package, Baldwin said.

Superior Court Judge Joseph Biafore Jr. on Tuesday **ordered** the **chain** not to **sell** any **items** that weigh less than their labels claim.

Safeway must also reimburse Santa Clara County \$10...

15/3,K/93 (Item 1 from file: 813)

DIALOG(R)File 813:PR Newswire

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NYM042

**Trilogy Moves Past Front-Office Automation, Focuses on Providing High-Level Benefits to Major Corporations**

DATE: June 9, 1997 08:30 EDT WORD COUNT: 750

... be accessed via the Internet, on an in-store kiosk, or on a laptop computer. **Selling** Chain not only configures **products** , but also generates customer-specific pricing information, creates proposals and quotes, enables access to electronic catalogs and places **orders** .

**Selling** Chain 's software modules transform every process associated with sales and marketing by providing direct links...



Set	Items	Description
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S4	146101	FUNGIBL? OR INTERCHANGE OR SUBSTITUT?
S5	2218933	PRODUCT? ? OR GOODS OR WARES OR EQUIPMENT OR MERCHANDI? OR ITEM? ?
S6	3117074	DISPLAY? OR SHOW? OR VIEW?
S7	1625	S4(2N)S5
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DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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6231419 INSPEC Abstract Number: C1999-06-1290F-057

**Title: The effect of (s, S) ordering policy on the supply chain**

Author(s): Kelle, P.; Milne, A.

Author Affiliation: ISDS Dept., Louisiana State Univ., Baton Rouge, LA, USA

Journal: International Journal of Production Economics Conference Title: Int. J. Prod. Econ. (Netherlands) vol.59, no.1-3 p.113-22

Publisher: Elsevier,

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Document Number: S0925-5273(98)00232-1

Language: English Document Type: Conference Paper (PA); Journal Paper (JP)

Treatment: Theoretical (T)

Abstract: In many supply chains, the variability of orders may considerably increase relative to the variability of the buyers' demand. This variability increase is largely an effect of the ordering policy. This phenomenon, which has become known as the bullwhip effect, makes supply chain planning difficult. We consider the following three basic elements of a supply chain: the purchase orders of the individual retailers, the aggregate orders of the retailers, and the supplier's ordering/production policy. A complex multi-echelon distribution system can also be analyzed by combining these elements. We investigate how the (s, S) policy parameters, the demand parameters, and the cost coefficients influence the variability of the orders by using approximations to the exact quantitative models. The accuracy of the approximations is acceptable in most cases of practical importance. We show how demand correlation can decrease the variability of aggregate orders, and how autocorrelation in buyer's orders can smooth the supplier's ordering policy. However, these variability reductions are usually not considerable. Small frequent orders can reduce the effect of high variability and the resulting uncertainty. (35 Refs)

Subfile: C

Descriptors: goods distribution; production control; purchasing ; statistics; stock control

Identifiers: s, S) ordering policy; supply chain; orders variability; buyers' demand; bullwhip effect; purchase orders; aggregate orders; supplier's ordering/production policy; complex multi-echelon distribution system; quantitative models; autocorrelation; variability reductions

Class Codes: C1290F (Systems theory applications in industry); C1140Z (Other topics in statistics)

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DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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5558674 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9705-7160-091

**Title: Efficient order processing in make-to-order supply chains**

Author(s): Jahnukainen, J.; Lahti, M.

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Ind. Manage., Helsinki Univ. of Technol., Espoo, Finland

Conference Title: Advances in Production Management Systems. Proceedings of the 6th IFIP TC5/WG5.7 International Conference on Advances in Production Management Systems - APMS'96 p.373-6

Editor(s): Okino, N.; Tamura, H.; Fujii, S.

Publisher: Kyoto Univ, Kyoto, Japan

Publication Date: 1996 Country of Publication: Japan xvii+670 pp.

ISBN: 4 915740 20 X Material Identity Number: XX96-03112

Conference Title: Proceedings of 6th International Conference on Advances in Production Management Systems (APMS'96)

Conference Date: 4-6 Nov. 1996 Conference Location: Kyoto, Japan

Language: English Document Type: Conference Paper (PA)

Treatment: Practical (P)

Abstract: Make-to-order supply chains consist of several successive business units, such as sales, **purchasing**, manufacturing and assembly. Order processing is the first activity in the delivery process. Poorly managed order processing hampers the operations of the rest of the **chain**. Most of the **order** processing problems originate from poor **product** management. Therefore the effort to improve the performance should be oriented towards the interface between delivery and **product** processes. (6 Refs)

Subfile: C

Descriptors: assembling; production control; **purchasing**; sales management; stock control data processing

Identifiers: order processing; make-to-order supply chains; **product** management; sales; **purchasing**; manufacturing; assembly

Class Codes: C7160 (Manufacturing and industrial administration); C7480 (Production engineering computing)

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00104312 INSPEC Abstract Number: B70007892, C70004410

Title: **Data transmission system for the centralization of orders from a shop chain with multiple auxiliary shops**

Author(s): Mitrani, M.

Author Affiliation: S.A.T., Paris, France

Conference Title: International conference on remote data processing p.255

Publisher: Colloque International sur la Teleinformatique, Paris, France

Publication Date: 1969 Country of Publication: France 669 pp.

Conference Date: 24-28 March 1969 Conference Location: Paris, France

Language: English; French Document Type: Conference Paper (PA)

Abstract: Abstract only given, substantially as follows:- The system is designed to facilitate control functions and their centralization by reducing operating delays. Transmission is via the telephone network, the **equipment** being operated in the auxiliary shops by non-qualified staff. The operator in each auxiliary shop gathers from the main shop information relating to the **purchase** terms. He then communicates with the head shop computer to pass his order previously drawn up into a card. Each auxiliary shop is equipped with a keyboard terminal specialized for dialogue with computer and remote control for voice diffusion of information from the head shop. In the head shop a number of reception units are connected to the computer through a specialized multiplexing system. The transmission is arithmetical at the figure stage, the modulation velocity being 134.5 bauds. The base modems used are of the 200 bauds type in conformity with CCITT recommendations. The transmission system described was designed and developed to include from a first stage, 80 terminals for auxiliary shops

and 10 reception units besides the voice diffusion system and control and maintenance **equipment** .

Subfile: B C

Descriptors: data transmission systems; distributive administrative data processing; stock control

Class Codes: B6210L (Computer communications); C7160 (Manufacturing and industry)

**12/5/4 (Item 1 from file: 474)**

DIALOG(R) File 474:New York Times Abs

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00853175 NYT Sequence Number: 038927781124

**Catalogue shopping is expected to rise 10% over '77 sales of \$22 billion as more consumers are attracted by convenience of this alternate form of shopping. Bonnie Rodriguez of Direct Mail Marketing Assn reports that catalogues have tripled in number between '77 and '78 and more consumers are buying expensive items . Brisk business is spurring more retailers to enter mail-order market and to produce slicker catalogues. Retailers claim that business is risky and requires considerable capital and extensive market testing to succeed.Costs of business detailed.**

**Illustrations of catalogues (L.)**

ETTORE, BARBARA

New York Times, Col. 3, Pg. 1, Sec. 4

Friday November 24 1978

DOCUMENT TYPE: Newspaper JOURNAL CODE: NYT LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Abstract

COMPANY NAMES: DIRECT MAIL, MARKETING ASSN

DESCRIPTORS: CAPITAL INVESTMENT; CATALOGUES; CONSUMER BEHAVIOR; DEPARTMENT AND **CHAIN** STORES; FINANCES; MAIL **ORDER** COMPANIES; MARKET RESEARCH; RETAIL STORES AND TRADE; SALES (INDUSTRY-WIDE)

PERSONAL NAMES: ETTORE, BARBARA; RODRIGUEZ, BONNIE

**12/5/5 (Item 2 from file: 474)**

DIALOG(R) File 474:New York Times Abs

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00832692 NYT Sequence Number: 018444780817

**Safeway Stores Inc, largest supermarket chain in US, is ordered to sell advertised items at or below advertised price.Order concludes 3-year-old case, part of series of cases against 3 largest food retailers, in which FTC charged Safeway with overpricing and overcharging on sale items (M.)**

MILLS, JEFFREY, Associated Press

New York Times, Pg. 54

Thursday August 17 1978

DOCUMENT TYPE: Newspaper JOURNAL CODE: NYT LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Abstract

COMPANY NAMES: SAFEWAY STORES INC; TRADE COMMISSION, FEDERAL (FTC)

DESCRIPTORS: ADVERTISING; CONSUMER PROTECTION; DECISIONS AND VERDICTS; FOOD TRADE AND GROCERIES; MISLEADING AND DECEPTIVE ADVERTISING; PRICES; RETAIL STORES AND TRADE

PERSONAL NAMES: MILLS, JEFFREY

**12/5/6 (Item 3 from file: 474)**

DIALOG(R)File 474:New York Times Abs  
(c) 2003 The New York Times. All rts. reserv.

00372152 NYT Sequence Number: 027492730808

**US Atty, Newark, NJ, is probing nationwide chain of mail order houses selling allegedly worthless sex potions and miracle weight reducers; grand jury in Newark has subpoenaed records of 4 cos, Natural Products Inc of Newark, Bob's Import of Lowell, Mass, Kaine Enterprises of Marlboro, Mass, and Caine Enterprises of Springfield, Mass; products allegedly sold by cos include so-called African sex fruit and 'famous Eur spot reducing secret' that would 'wipe away ugly fat'; other product under investigation noted)**

Associated Press

New York Times, Col. 1, Pg. 80

Wednesday August 8 1973

DOCUMENT TYPE: Newspaper JOURNAL CODE: NYT LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Abstract

COMPANY NAMES: BOB'S IMPORT (MASS CO); CAINE ENTERPRISES; Kaine Enterprises; NATURAL **PRODUCTS** INC

DESCRIPTORS: APHRODISIACS; FRAUDS AND SWINDLING; MAIL ORDER COMPANIES; SEX ; UNITED STATES ATTORNEYS; WEIGHT

**12/5/7 (Item 1 from file: 583)**

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Giacomelli dZbarque dans l'Hexagone

FRANCE: GIACOMELLI OPENS ITS FIRST STORE

LSA (LSA) 21 Oct 1999 p.27

Language: FRENCH

Giacomelli, the Italian sport retail chain which makes a turnover of L 255bn, has opened its first French store in the Forum des Halles in Paris. This store, which opened on 20 October 1999, targets those under 35, who represent 64% of its turnover. Giacomelli is expected to open two new sales outlets at Lille and at Villeneuve-d'Ascq. Emmannuel Giacomelli, the general manager recognises that it will be difficult to gain acceptance on the French market, since it is one of the most advanced in terms of distribution. The retail chain, which will meet competition from Sport Leader, Made in Sport and Moviesport, may consider **buying** a French **chain** in **order** to develop in France.

COMPANY: GIACOMELLI

PRODUCT: Sporting **Goods** , Bicycle Stores (5941);

EVENT: Companies Activities (10); Plant/Facilities/ **Equipment** (44); Planning & Information (22);

COUNTRY: France (4FRA); Italy (4ITA);

**12/5/8 (Item 2 from file: 583)**

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La Cipa holding lancia il franchising per piccoli negozi

ITALY: FRANCHISING FOR SMALL FOOD RETAILERS

Il Sole 24 Ore (ISO) 09 Mar 1999 p.13  
Language: ITALIAN

The Italian-based group Cipa holding, which registers L 200bn sales through 21 supermarkets in the Triveneto area (Italy), aims at setting up a network amounting to 2,000 franchised food retail outlets in Italy. Such volume is expected to be achieved by the year 2001. Cipa holding, which is mainly owned by Worms and Nord, will **sell** its stakes in the supermarket **chain** in **order** to focus in the district franchised outlets (to be named 'City Fresco'). \*

COMPANY: WORMS; NORD; CIPA HOLDING

PRODUCT: Food Stores NEC (5499); Hypermarkets (5321); Grocery Stores (5411);

EVENT: Licences & Sales Agreements (38); Plant/Facilities/ **Equipment** (44); Planning & Information (22); Company Formation (12);

COUNTRY: Italy (4ITA);

12/5/9 (Item 3 from file: 583)

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NH sale al expterior con cinco hoteles urbanos en Mercosur

ARGENTINA/URUGUAY: ACQUISITIONS FOR NH HOTELES

La Gaceta de los Negocios (ZDA) 10 Dec 1998 p.39

Language: SPANISH

Some Pta 3,500mn (of which Pta 1,600mn will be expended in refurbishment works) have been invested by the Spanish hotel **chain** NH Hoteles in **order** to acquire five city hotels, four in Argentina and another in Uruguay. The **purchase** adds 869 rooms to the company in South America. The Argentinean hotels are Gran Hotel (in Tucuman); and City, Le Monde, and 80% of Joustein in Buenos Aires. These three hotels will be opened before the year 2001. The company has also acquired a 60% stake in the 142 rooms hotel Columbia, which is planned to be opened in May 1999. NH Hoteles is expected to carry out further acquisitions in the area in order to take advantage of the large size.

COMPANY: NH HOTELES

PRODUCT: Hotels & Motels (7011);

EVENT: Plant/Facilities/ **Equipment** (44);

COUNTRY: Spain (4SPA); Argentina (3ARG); Uruguay (3URU);

12/5/10 (Item 4 from file: 583)

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Bass will **buy** more hotels

UK: BASS PLANS HOTEL EXPANSION

Independent (TI) 22 May 1998 p.26

Language: ENGLISH

The UK based leisure giant involved in brewing, pubs and hotels, Bass, has announced that it is to make further hotel acquisitions. The company's goal

is to become a global hotel **chain** and in **order** to do this it is to expand its market in Asia and Continental Europe. In order to do this the company states that it is more likely to acquire individual sites rather than another large hotel chain. Bass is also intending to take advantage of the economic recovery in Continental Europe by opening an overseas based chain of pubs during 1999. In the UK the company is planning to invest most of the GBt 700mn it has set aside for 1998 and the GBt 800mn that it is planning for 1999, in its managed pub estates. The company is expected to use some of this money for the rapid rollout of its brands including It's A Scream student pubs and All Bar One. Bass is also said to be considering the future of some of its beer brands due to a decline in demand for real ale. In a separate issue the company has announced its results for the six months to April 1998.

Table:	Bass	Figures	in	GBt	bn
Current	Previous/Change	Turnover	2.3	2.7	-14.81%
0.307	0.309	-0.64%			
				Pre-tax	Profit

COMPANY: BASS; BASS

PRODUCT: Hotels & Motels (7011); Licensed Premises (5800LP); Licensed Houses & Pubs (5800LH); Beer (2082BE);  
 EVENT: Plant/Facilities/ **Equipment** (44); Planning & Information (22); Company Reports & Accounts (83); Company Formation (12);  
 COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK);

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Home Depot acquires blind and wallpaper mail order company  
 US: ACQUISITION BY HOME DEPOT  
 DIY Week (ZCF) 09/16 Jan 1998 p.8  
 Language: ENGLISH

The wallcoverings business of Home Depot, the US DIY chain, is to be expanded with the acquisition of Deekay Enterprises, which includes the Habitat Wallpaper & Blinds chain of 13 stores and the National Blind & Wallpaper Factory mail **order chain**. Mail **order** companies have been causing controversy in the US wallpaper and blinds industry by cutting out the retailers and **selling** direct to the customer via an 800 freephone number. Home Depot should also benefit from the innovative software ordering and distribution systems used by Deekay.

COMPANY: NATL BLIND & WALLPAPER FACTORY; HABITAT WALLPAPER & BLINDS; DEEKAY ENTERPRISES; HOME DEPOT

PRODUCT: DIY **Goods** (5201DG); Wallpaper (2649WA);  
 EVENT: Company Acquisitions (16);  
 COUNTRY: United States (1USA);

**12/5/12 (Item 6 from file: 583)**

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06562091

Idea invierte 2.500 millones en una red de macrotiendas  
 SPAIN: IDEA INVESTS IN NETWORK  
 Expansion (EXN) 22 Dec 1997 p. 8  
 Language: SPANISH

Spanish domestic appliances retailer Idea has announced plans to invest Pta 2,500mn during 1998 in **order** to expand its **chain** of large outlets to 35. The group, which has 140 franchise partners and 600 outlets, is forecasting that its volume of **purchases** from domestic appliance companies will increase from Pta 22,000mn in 1997 to Pta 28,000mn in 1998.

COMPANY: IDEA

PRODUCT: Household Appliances (3630);  
EVENT: Plant/Facilities/ **Equipment** (44);  
COUNTRY: Spain (4SPA);

**12/5/13 (Item 7 from file: 583)**

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Continent mise sur le 'dernier mYtre'

FRANCE: CONTINENT CHOOSES C2E AGENCY  
Points de Vente (PDV) 26 Nov 1997 p.51  
Language: FRENCH

Continent, the French retail chain, has chosen the C2E agency, a subsidiary of Euro RSCG for its special operations - it has scheduled 44 of these for 1998. This agency has developed the 'last metre' concept - the moment of deciding to **buy**. According to the principles of the C2E concept, one should display the **product** well, inform the customer about the **product** and the price, while making a reference to advertising if this is a brand, or to the image, if it is a retail **chain**, in **order** to help the consumer decide to **buy**.

COMPANY: EURO RSCG; C2E; CONTINENT

PRODUCT: Hypermarkets (5321); Grocery Stores (5411);  
EVENT: Marketing Procedures (24);  
COUNTRY: France (4FRA);

**12/5/14 (Item 8 from file: 583)**

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Les salariZs de Myrys tentent d'Zviter la fermeture

FRANCE: MYRYS' ATTEMPTS TO AVOID JOB CUTS  
La Tribune DesfossZs (XOT) 05 Mar 1996 p.11  
Language: FRENCH

Bata France has relaunched the recovery plan of its footwear store chain Myrys. To avoid the 361 job cuts and the closure of half of its shop, as included in this plan, Myrys is searching for alternatives. The company is said to have entered negotiations with two potential acquirers, a store **chain** and a mail- **order** retailer. Moreover, a project of management **buy**-out has been filed. However, FFr 150 to 250mn are said to be necessary to help the shop chain recover.

COMPANY: MYRYS; BATA FRANCE



PRODUCT: Leather & **Products** (3100); Retail Trade (5200);  
EVENT: Labour Information (53); Personnel Administration (28);  
Management Development (21);  
COUNTRY: France (4FRA);

12/5/15 (Item 9 from file: 583)

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IMPRESSIVE SALES FOR MS-DOS 5.0 UPGRADE

US - IMPRESSIVE SALES FOR MS-DOS 5.0 UPGRADE  
Wall Street Journal Europe (WSJ) 24 July 1991 p7

Microsoft, software producer, is seeing strong US sales of its MS-DOS 5.0 Upgrade, the latest version of its MS-DOS operating system, since the firm began **selling** the software through US retailers in June 1991. Over 1 mil copies of the **product** were sold within 30 days, compared to just 600k copies of International Business Machines' (IBM) OS/2 sold since 1987. According to insiders, Ingram Micro, software distributor, has sold 300k copies of the new software to computer stores and mass marketers. Merisel, software distributor, has sold double its predictions and Egghead Discount Software, national **chain** which **ordered** 500k copies, has sold out in some stores. Observers say that the software is an irresistible **buy**, with prices discounted from around USD1r100 list price to as low as USD1r40. According to an analyst at Dean Witter the three to six month follow-through by **purchasers** will be the real key to the success of the upgrade.

PRODUCT: Computer Software (7372); Operating Systems (7372OS); CAD/CAM  
Mechanical Software (COSW);  
EVENT: COMPANIES ACTIVITIES (10);  
COUNTRY: United States (1USA); NATO Countries (420); South East Asia  
Treaty Organisation (913);

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PALMA GROUP REPORTS INCREASE IN PROFIT

UK - PALMA GROUP REPORTS INCREASE IN PROFIT  
Financial Times (C) 1991 (FT) 23 August 1988 p24

Palma Group, hosiery and knitwear manufacturer and retailer reports first half pre-tax profit of GBP1 mil from GBP719k a year earlier, on turnover up to GBP12.4 mil. The company is intending to invest about GBP3 mil a year expanding its recently acquired Clothkits retailing activities. Clothkits **sells** clothing in kit form by mail **order** and through a **chain** of shops and its present chain of seven shops could be increased to 20 by the end of 1989, with the aim of 90 shops within five years. The company's Pex hosiery division recovered from sluggish sales and Montfort, knitwear manufacturer will make a profit in the second half, despite the slump in the knitwear sector.

Copyright: Financial Times Ltd 1991

PRODUCT: Knit **Goods** (2250);  
EVENT: COMPANY FINANCIAL DATA (80);

COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK); OECD Europe (415); NATO Countries (420);  
South East Asia Treaty Organisation (913);

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00121530 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

**PRODUCT NAMES: iProcure (785164)**

**TITLE: The Web Gets The Blue-Collar Vote: Industrial procurement product**  
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AUTHOR: Cone, Edward

SOURCE: Interactive Week, v6 n48 p30(1) Nov 22, 1999

ISSN: 1078-7259

HOME PAGE: <http://www.interactive-week.com>

RECORD TYPE: Review

REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis

GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating

Datastream Systems' iProcure is a Web-based industrial procurement **product** that connects shop floors with industrial suppliers, such as Applied Industrial, Fastenal, and Wexco Distribution. iProcure will also integrate with Datastream's business-to-business industrial auction site. The network can be accessed in two ways, as a standalone Web **product** or as a module of Datastream's enterprise asset management systems, which enables the company to have a large installed base of likely customers to **sell** into. Datastream is the leading vendor of software for the maintenance, repair, and operations (MRO) area and believes that the \$300 billion industrial supplies and services market is ready for automation.

COMPANY NAME: Datastream Systems Inc (558419)

DESCRIPTORS: Auctions; E-Commerce; Extranets; Manufacturing; Part  
**Ordering ; Purchasing ; Supply Chain Management**

REVISION DATE: 20010930

**12/5/18 (Item 2 from file: 256)**

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00121155 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

**PRODUCT NAMES: Pharmaceuticals (830231); E-Commerce (836109)**

**TITLE: Drug Firm Carefully Tests Web**

AUTHOR: Cone, Edward

SOURCE: Interactive Week, v6 n41 p40(2) Oct 4, 1999

ISSN: 1078-7259

HOME PAGE: <http://www.interactive-week.com>

RECORD TYPE: Review

REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis

GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating

While the pharmaceutical industry has had a cautious and slow-moving stance toward e-commerce, the U.S. operations of Rhone-Poulenc Rorer (RPR) are

supported by an e-commerce program that is state-of-the-art for the industry. Customers of RPR and other pharmaceutical makers do not want to place orders on the Web, but only want real-time access to order status, and this, along with far-reaching regulation, limited market pressure, and well entrenched legacy systems have suppressed the impact of Web-based technology. But the industry is facing cost pressures from a changing health care marketplace; now, improving the efficiency of time-intensive informational **transactions** has become a priority. The real-time information on orders and shipping that RPR is providing is meant to cut the slack out of the information-sharing processes between drug companies and distributors, and will provide real-time access to order status, shipment status, and **product** availability. As the system evolves, it will allow customers to place orders, view credit and payables status, and customize the information they receive.

COMPANY NAME: Vendor Independent (999999)  
DESCRIPTORS: E-Commerce; **Order** Fulfillment; Pharmaceuticals; Supply  
**Chain** Management  
REVISION DATE: 20020630

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00120137 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

**PRODUCT NAMES: Internet Fulfillment Server (777731)**

**TITLE: Head of the Chain**  
AUTHOR: Gilbert, Alorie  
SOURCE: Information Week, v754 p385(2) Sep 27, 1999  
ISSN: 8750-6874  
HOMEPAGE: <http://www.informationweek.com>

RECORD TYPE: Review  
REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis  
GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating

i2 Technologies' Internet Fulfillment Server, which allows companies to give suppliers direct access to customer orders placed via the Web to expedite fulfillment, is from a vendor that, unlike Manugistics and Numetrix, has emerged without much damage from the recent upheaval in the supply chain management market. i2 is now moving into new **product** areas and positioning foundational **products** as critical to development of Internet business strategies. According to CEO Sanjiv Sidhu, i2 will assist companies in providing information access and business **transaction** abilities via the Internet to suppliers, manufacturers, distributors, and customers. i2 has also inked a deal with PricewaterhouseCoopers to develop and market e-business **products** and services that expand i2's offerings. For instance, the companies will jointly develop customer relationship management (CRM) software that links to i2's supply chain systems. i2 also acquired Smart Technologies, a vendor of CRM **products**. At a user conference 2i, will announce and describe an e-commerce suite for order-receiving, managing World Wide Web site content, and providing price quotes. i2 will also announce an online marketplace based on i2's supply chain planning collaboration suite; the online market is open to any companies that wish to **buy** business supplies.

COMPANY NAME: i2 Technologies Inc (539864)

SPECIAL FEATURE: Graphs  
DESCRIPTORS: E-Commerce; Extranets; Internet Marketing; **Order**  
Fulfillment; **Purchasing** ; Supply **Chain** Management  
REVISION DATE: 20020630

**12/5/20 (Item 4 from file: 256)**  
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00118569 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

**PRODUCT NAMES: VPNs (837253); Electronics (834777)**

**TITLE: 24 Little Hours**  
AUTHOR: Roberts, Bill  
SOURCE: Internet World, p40(2) Aug 1, 1999  
ISSN: 1097-8291  
HOMEPAGE: <http://www.iw.com>

RECORD TYPE: Review  
REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis  
GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating

Solectron, a contract manufacturer of electronics **products** (mainframes, workstations, supercomputers, file servers, PCs, docking stations, laptops, POS terminals, retail scanner, pagers, cell phones, base stations, Internet access devices, videoconferencing **equipment**, printers, disk drives, modems, fax machines, hubs, routers, and switches) can now complete prototypes in 24 hours or under by processing material planning, inventory control, and other tasks on an Internet-enabled virtual private network (VPN). The VPN links 21 plants around the world to each other and to customers and many suppliers. Solectron has won two Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Awards, and Solectron's revenues tripled to over \$8 billion in the five years since systems became Internet-enabled. An analyst describes Solectron as an innovator by necessity, since Solectron is in a highly competitive market and needs the fastest possible supply **chain** in **order** to remain competitive. Solectron is the middle link in a huge supply chain, with customers on one side and suppliers on the other. Currently, larger customers can access Solectron's manufacturing system and book open slots. They can view the status of work in progress, file **purchase** orders, and view quality analyses. The Internet is used to transport CAD information and bills of materials, all of which are encrypted with Secure Sockets Layer technology.

COMPANY NAME: Vendor Independent (999999)  
SPECIAL FEATURE: Charts  
DESCRIPTORS: Business Planning; Electronics; Intranets; Manufacturing;  
Material Requirements Planning; Models; Supply Chain Management; System  
Monitoring; VPNs  
REVISION DATE: 20011030

**12/5/21 (Item 5 from file: 256)**  
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00118561 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

**PRODUCT NAMES: Operating Resource Management System (ORMS) (674231);**

**CompanyStore (704954)**

**TITLE: Procurement Pays Off**

**AUTHOR: Waltner, Charles**

**SOURCE: Information Week, v745 p65(4) Jul 26, 1999**

**ISSN: 8750-6874**

**HOME PAGE: <http://www.informationweek.com>**

**RECORD TYPE: Review**

**REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis**

**GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating**

Ariba Technologies' Operating Resource Management System (ORMS) and Concur's CompanyStore are highlighted in a discussion of companies' use of procurement software **products** that provide consolidation of **purchasing**, with a concomitant ability to wield more power over suppliers. Procurement software can also lower unauthorized spending and administration cost, assist companies in monitoring spending trends, and improve efficiency. However, the software is high-priced, and can be difficult to integrate with installed systems. In addition, current **products** do not provide all the features needed. Licensing fees for procurement packages range from \$1,000 to \$4 million. However, procurement systems are among applications that provide the quickest return on investment, says an expert. This is because, after wages and taxes, spending associated with daily non-production is the largest expenditure made by companies. FedEx uses ORMS, which assists the delivery provider by allowing opportunistic **buying**. Online procurement centralizes all **purchasing** policies, including those that the employees of vendors have to use, so that all **purchasing** of certain **items** can be made from overstocked vendors or those providing one-time discounts. Savings from volume discounts are easy to calculate, but money saved by reducing the time spent **purchasing** is more difficult to measure. One user calculated a reduction of between \$10 and \$20 for each order.

**COMPANY NAME: Ariba Inc (635961); Concur Technologies Inc (646075)**

**SPECIAL FEATURE: Graphs**

**DESCRIPTORS: E-Commerce; Purchase Orders ; Purchasing ; Supply Chain Management**

**REVISION DATE: 20000330**

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**DOCUMENT TYPE: Review**

**PRODUCT NAMES: Oracle Financials (692018); ProcureWorks (726842)**

**TITLE: Boost Efficiency with Buy -Side E-Commerce**

**AUTHOR: Falla, Jane**

**SOURCE: e-Business Advisor Magazine, v17 n6 p12(4) Jun 1999**

**ISSN: 1098-8912**

**HOME PAGE: <http://www.advisor.com>**

**RECORD TYPE: Review**

**REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis**

**GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating**

**RightWorks' ProcureWorks, and Oracle's Financials including General Ledger,**

Accounts Payable, and **Purchasing**, are highlighted in a discussion of the ways in which Fujitsu Computer **Products** of America (FCPA) and Miller SQA are enhancing efficiency of business operations with **buy**-side e-commerce. The strategy can assist companies in terminating non-competitive suppliers, negotiating volume discounts, funneling buyers to preferred vendors, and reducing the requirement for manual intervention. FCPA's electronic procurement supports more than 850 employees in multiple U.S. offices, and has resulted in a 2 to 4 percent savings using ProcureWorks, which was chosen after an assessment of internal practices that might prevent expansion. Because one-quarter of a buyer's time was taken for administrative activities, rather than value-added ones, FCPA chose ProcureWorks to allow **purchasing** professionals to spend more time finding the best suppliers and negotiating good prices. ProcureWorks was chosen partly because it is fully scalable, and because no custom integration work was required to link to FCPA's Oracle enterprise resource planning (ERP) applications. ProcureWorks quickly resolved some big problems by clearing order requests through approvals and **purchasing** within 24 hours, and by providing tools that can analyze **buying** patterns more effectively and easily. Miller SQA uses automated supply chain management software to ensure a 4.5 day order turnaround time, from receipt of the order to shipment.

COMPANY NAME: Oracle Corp (010740); i2 Technologies Inc (539864)  
DESCRIPTORS: E-Commerce; Enterprise Resource Planning; Internet Marketing;  
**Purchase Orders ; Purchasing ; Supply Chain Management**  
REVISION DATE: 20011030

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00117782 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

**PRODUCT NAMES: e-WMS (787345); Java (573744)**

**TITLE: Is Java-based development the next supply chain software trend?**  
**AUTHOR: Gurin, Rick**  
**SOURCE: Automatic ID News, v15 n3 p13(1) Mar 1999**  
**ISSN: 0890-9760**  
**HOME PAGE: <http://www.AutoIDNews.com>**

**RECORD TYPE: Review**  
**REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis**  
**GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating**

Renaissance Software's e-WMSSCM, the first module of the vendor's Java-based Supply Chain Management Suite (e-SCM), is now available. e-SCM will include components for warehouse management, ordering, and distribution. e-WMSSCM is the first module to become available and uses Java's robust functions to add new features. Web-enabled browsing and processing are supported, so that users can see critical order and warehouse data anywhere at any time. Open architecture and configurable toolbars permit integration of third-party software. Java-based development also makes the software platform-neutral, so that users can run it on the AS/400 or Windows NT platforms. Other features provided are broadcast messaging abilities and company-to-customer automated e-mail; warehouse configuration control; load planning, routing, and freight/rate calculations; and a 3D pallet design module. Howard Mintz, VP of client/server development for Renaissance, says the company decided to go

with Java because the **product** had to process mainframe and client/server systems' data. In addition, Renaissance software can also be used by third-party logistics providers, an ability that Java supports but that C++ or Visual Basic do not. An analyst notes that only time will tell whether a warehouse management system written in Java is powerful enough to handle large warehouses processing large numbers of **transactions** .

COMPANY NAME: Renaissance Software Inc (314714); Sun Microsystems Inc (385557)

SPECIAL FEATURE: Charts

DESCRIPTORS: Distribution Management; IBM AS/400; IBM PC & Compatibles; Intranets; Java; **Order** Fulfillment; Supply **Chain** Management; Warehouse Management; Windows NT/2000

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00113320 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

**PRODUCT NAMES:** E- Merchandising (730238

**TITLE:** Blue Martini stirs e-comm

**AUTHOR:** Messmer, Ellen

**SOURCE:** Network World, v15 n47 p1(2) Nov 23, 1998

**ISSN:** 0887-7661

**HOME PAGE:** <http://www.nwfusion.com>

**RECORD TYPE:** Review

**REVIEW TYPE:** Product Analysis

**GRADE:** Product Analysis, No Rating

Blue Martini Software's E- **Merchandising** , a new high-end Web commerce package, should jolt the e-commerce arena with more powerful tools for **merchandising** retail **goods** online. E- **Merchandising** will link online buyers to **items** for sale, and will push accumulated sales data through back-end, supply chain management and enterprise resource planning (ERP) systems, including those from PeopleSoft and SAP. E- **Merchandising** will manage electronic catalogs to allow users to **buy** accessories and other **items** related to **purchased goods** , to provide a cross- **selling** environment. For instance, a surfer shopping for a camera online will also be shown batteries for it and can also **purchase** them. E- **Merchandising** operates under the assumption that the more the vendor knows about each customer, the better the vendor can predict the possible future **purchases** of that customer. For instance, such data as zip code can be analyzed with artificial intelligence to determine what products the e-commerce site might effectively promote to the user. E- **Merchandising** can also send sales **orders** to installed supply **chain** management packages or back-end ERP systems, and workflow features can make sure that pertinent customer data is seen by the vendor's **merchandise** buyers or copywriters in marketing departments. E- **Merchandising** will run on UNIX and Windows NT and can be used with any Web browser.

COMPANY NAME: Blue Martini Software Inc (655627)

SPECIAL FEATURE: Charts

DESCRIPTORS: Catalogs; Enterprise Resource Planning; Internet Marketing; Internet Utilities; Order Fulfillment; Retailers; UNIX; Windows NT/2000

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00111204 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

PRODUCT NAMES: SCOREx (720372); Energy (720381)

TITLE: Suite Execution: New supply chain systems deliver results at Delta...

AUTHOR: Dilger, Karen Abramic

SOURCE: Manufacturing Systems, v16 n8 pS4A(6) Aug 1998

ISSN: 0748-9488

HOME PAGE: <http://www.manufacturingsystems.com>

RECORD TYPE: Review

REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis

GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating

J D Edwards' SCOREx (Supply Chain Optimization and Real-time Extended Execution) suite extends the vendor's **transactional** support by providing such supply chain execution and planning tools as WMSs (warehouse management systems), transportation planning, order management, and **product** configuration. SCOREx is an example of new supply chain systems that combine operational, **transactional**, and strategic functions for manufacturing and distribution. The systems are being installed by manufacturers to enhance customer service, speed order processing, and improve integration among disparate planning and execution systems. Vendors providing supporting features include Optum Software, HK Systems, and EXE Technologies. Users include Delta Beverage, a direct-to-store soft drink and beer distributor, and Invacare, a maker of home health care and mobility **equipment** for those with disabilities. Delta Beverage uses the Energy Suite from Descartes Systems Group, which includes functions for order entry, order management, inventory management, settlement processing, and vehicle routing and scheduling. Invacare uses Optum's execution software at two sites, and will deploy it at three others in 1998. The system will eventually be used at all sites. Orders are entered and validated with an internally developed system. Optum's system checks **product** availability by viewing inventory data to find the needed **product** in all warehouses. The system links to a forecasting system to provide demand information in real time.

COMPANY NAME: J D Edwards & Co (351989); Descartes Systems Group  
(652253)

SPECIAL FEATURE: Charts Graphs

DESCRIPTORS: Business Planning; Distribution Management; Manufacturing;  
Manufacturing Execution Systems; Material Requirements Planning; **Order**  
Fulfillment; Supply **Chain** Management

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00104366 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

PRODUCT NAMES: Advanced Retail Catalog Service (681903)



**TITLE: A Vertical Approach To Supply-Chain Automation**

**AUTHOR:** Friedman, Matthew

**SOURCE:** InternetWeek, v691 p21(2) Nov 24, 1997

**ISSN:** 0746-8121

**HOMEPAGE:** <http://www.internetwk.com>

**RECORD TYPE:** Review

**REVIEW TYPE:** Product Analysis

**GRADE:** Product Analysis, No Rating

General Electric Information Services' new Advanced Retail Catalog Service provides a community catalog and a centralized marketplace for vertical segments of the retail industry. The supply chain automation system is a many-to-many database that allows suppliers, buyers, and other members of the retail community to interact. The public offering is already deployed in Australia's grocery industry and has significantly improved that country's **ordering** and supply **chain** system. Electronic systems have vastly improved companies' ability to get the right **goods** at the right time, and supply chain systems provide much more accurate data alignment. In the retail industry in particular, there are often multiple databases of **product** information, all of which must be accurate and timely. If not, mismatches will occur. The catalog service establishes GEIS as a neutral third party, and member suppliers populate the central database through Web browsers or EDI messaging. Store buyers can look through the catalog via a Web browser and place requests either through EDI or traditional paper-based **purchasing** methods.

**COMPANY NAME:** Global eXchange Services Inc (707597)

**SPECIAL FEATURE:** Charts

**DESCRIPTORS:** Catalogs; Database Publishing; Distributors; EDI (Electronic Data Interchange); Groceries; Internet Marketing; Retailers

**REVISION DATE:** 20030327

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00098729 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

**PRODUCT NAMES:** R/3 (366366); EnSync (620289); System ESS Tracker (647144); G2 (249483)

**TITLE: The Future of Supply Chain Management**

**AUTHOR:** Schultz, George

**SOURCE:** Managing Automation, v11 n10 p46(6) Oct 1996

**ISSN:** 0089-3805

**HOMEPAGE:** <http://www.managingautomation.com>

**RECORD TYPE:** Review

**REVIEW TYPE:** Product Analysis

**GRADE:** Product Analysis, No Rating

SAP America's R/3, Log'In's Cadence, SynQuest's EnSync, Industri-Matematik's System ESS Tracker, and Gensym's G2 are part of discussion of the future of supply chain management. The supply chain is defined as 'the **transactional** interrelationship among suppliers, manufacturers, distributors, buyers and their customers in the planning and flow of given **products** .' R/3 is for companies of all sizes, and R/3 3.1

includes more than 25 components that get users up and running on the Internet quickly. A company spokeswoman says customers generally use all modules, so that they can supply their supply chain from materials management through production and shipment to customers. Materials management supports related inventories management, as in the case of Colgate and Coca Cola. Cadence simulation and optimization tools have been added to SynQuest's **products** , which also includes EnSync factory floor scheduling and manufacturing execution functions. System ESS **Order** Tracker allows supply **chain** partners to communicate electronically over the Internet, with which it is invisibly integrated. Various industry experts discuss supply chain management and its ability to provide a view of all the elements that provide added value to an end consumer. User systems described include those of Campbell Soup, automakers, and Halston Borghese.

COMPANY NAME: SAP AG (535974); Viewlocity Inc (652342);  
Industri-Matematik Inc (586633); Gensym Corp (471054)  
SPECIAL FEATURE: Charts  
DESCRIPTORS: Distribution Management; EDI (Electronic Data Interchange);  
Manufacturing; Material Control; Order Fulfillment; Production Control;  
Supply Chain Management  
REVISION DATE: 20030527

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S4	276015	FUNGIBL? OR INTERCHANGE OR SUBSTITUT?
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XRPX Acc No: N03-622609

Item **order fulfillment method in companies, involves modifying supply chain model to fulfill order of desired item at desired time, when desired item is not available at desired time in model**

Patent Assignee: MANUGISTICS INC (MANU-N)  
Inventor: BESTLAND G; HSIANG P; JENKINS J A; KANTH B; SEAMAN R  
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001  
Patent Family:

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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2000243400 P 20001027; US 2001984349 A 20011029

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 20020188499	A1	31	G06F-017/60	Provisional application	US 2000243400

Abstract (Basic): US 20020188499 A1

NOVELTY - A supply chain model is created using data describing various activities in a supply chain. The model is modified to fulfill an order of a desired **item** at a desired time, when the desired **item** is not available at the desired time in the model.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for **item** order fulfillment system.

USE - For fulfilling order of desired **item** at desired time in companies.

ADVANTAGE - Since the supply chain is modified as needed to fulfill an order of desired **item** placed by a customer, the customer requirements are efficiently met despite unanticipated delays in production, cross-border shipments, transportation and prolonged **product** shortage.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure **shows** the block diagram of the **item** order fulfillment system.

distribution module (200)  
deployment module (300)  
production module (400)  
material allocation module (500)  
database server (600)  
pp; 31 DwgNo 1A/1

Title Terms: **ITEM** ; ORDER; METHOD; COMPANY; MODIFIED; SUPPLY; CHAIN; MODEL ; ORDER; **ITEM** ; TIME; **ITEM** ; AVAILABLE; TIME; MODEL

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60

File Segment: EPI

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XRPX Acc No: N03-534868

**Supply chain management framework method, involves displaying network-based interface with bulletin board feature conveying information about quality of goods and timeliness of deliveries made by distributors**

Patent Assignee: RESTAURANT SERVICES INC (REST-N)

Inventor: MENNINGER A F

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001815463 A 20010323

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 20030069765	A1	290	G06F-017/60	

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Abstract (Basic): US 20030069765 A1

NOVELTY - The method involves **displaying** a network-based interface for accessing data collected from stores that are connected in a network of supply **chain**. An electronic **order** form is then generated based on the data utilizing the interface for ordering **goods** from distributors. The interface includes a bulletin board **displaying** information received from each stores about timeliness of deliveries made by distributors.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for a system for a bulletin board feature in a supply chain management framework.

USE - Used in a supply chain management framework.

ADVANTAGE - The bulleting board feature not only **displays** information about the timeliness of deliveries made by the distributors, but also the quality of **goods** issued by them, price of each **goods** and details of the store from which the information is received.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing **shows** a flowchart of a process for normalizing data in a supply chain management framework.  
pp; 290 DwgNo 2/235

Title Terms: SUPPLY; CHAIN; MANAGEMENT; FRAMEWORK; METHOD; **DISPLAY** ;  
NETWORK; BASED; INTERFACE; BOARD; FEATURE; CONVEY; INFORMATION; QUALITY;  
**GOODS** ; DELIVER; MADE; DISTRIBUTE

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): **G06F-017/60**

International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-007/00; G06F-017/30

File Segment: EPI

**12/5/3 (Item 3 from file: 350)**

DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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015488267 \*\*Image available\*\*

WPI Acc No: 2003-550414/200352

XRPX Acc No: N03-437725

Order **management method** for chain stores, involves providing stored **order information** corresponding to user terminal identification **information to shop server, during visiting of user to shop**

Patent Assignee: NTT IDO TSUSHINMO KK (NITE )

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
JP 2003187112	A	20030704	JP 2001381565	A	20011214	200352 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 2001381565 A 20011214

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes  
JP 2003187112 A 9 G06F-017/60

Abstract (Basic): JP 2003187112 A

NOVELTY - The order information along with user terminal identification (ID) information is received from a portable terminal (20) and stored in memory (32) of order management server (30). When the user visits a shop, the user terminal ID is provided to the shop server (40). The terminal ID and the shop ID is transmitted to the order management server and the corresponding order information is provided to the shop server.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- (1) order management system;
- (2) portable terminal; and
- (3) order management server.

USE - For managing the **orders** provided to **chain** stores such as fast food restaurant and family restaurant, from portable terminals such as personal handyphone system (PHS), personal digital assistant (PDA), mobile telephone.

ADVANTAGE - Easy and correct providing of orders for desired **goods** by the users is enabled in short time.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure **shows** a block diagram of the order management system. (Drawing includes non-English language text).

portable terminal (20)  
order management server (30)  
memory (32)  
shop server (40)  
pp; 9 DwgNo 1/4

Title Terms: ORDER; MANAGEMENT; METHOD; CHAIN; STORAGE; STORAGE; ORDER; INFORMATION; CORRESPOND; USER; TERMINAL; IDENTIFY; INFORMATION; SHOP; SERVE; VISIT; USER; SHOP

Derwent Class: T01; W01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60

File Segment: EPI

12/5/4 (Item 4 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350:Derwent WPIX

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015209269

WPI Acc No: 2003-269805/200327

XRPX Acc No: N03-214053

**Internet-based method for presentation of goods , especially textiles, allowing a customer to order fashion products from a supplier, that are designed to fulfill customer-specific needs within a very short lead-time**

Patent Assignee: SAALE NET GMBH (SAAL-N)

Inventor: HAITMANN K; KUTSCHKA W; HARTMANN K

Number of Countries: 100 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
DE 10138174	A1	20030213	DE 1038174	A	20010803	200327 B
WO 200314859	A2	20030220	WO 2002EP8653	A	20020802	200327

Priority Applications (No Type Date): DE 1038174 A 20010803

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

DE 10138174 A1 3 G06F-017/50

WO 200314859 A2 G G06F-000/00

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JP KE KG KP KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MA MD MG MK MN MW MX MZ NO NZ OM  
PH PL PT RO RU SD SE SG SI SK SL TJ TM TN TR TT TZ UA UG US UZ VN YU ZA  
ZM ZW

Designated States (Regional): AT BE BG CH CY CZ DE DK EA EE ES FI FR GB  
GH GM GR IE IT KE LS LU MC MW MZ NL OA PT SD SE SK SL SZ TR TZ UG ZM ZW

Abstract (Basic): DE 10138174 A1

NOVELTY - Method whereby a configurer is used to check user access authentication and then provide access to a **product** database. A user can then select a **product** and **view** a 3-D representation of it. A menu is provided for selection of individual requirements and is also used to offer **product** variants. Lastly the data can be used to generate a customer order.

USE - Method allowing a customer to order textile **products**, especially clothing **products** from a supplier that are produced to meet customer specific requirements.

ADVANTAGE - As the process is online the whole ordering and individualization process can be speeded up allowing a clothing distributor or shop- **chain** to **order** from a supplier with a very short lead-time and thus to react quickly to changes in the fashion market.

pp; 3 DwgNo 0/0

Title Terms: BASED; METHOD; PRESENT; **GOODS** ; TEXTILE; ALLOW; CUSTOMER; ORDER; FASHION; **PRODUCT** ; SUPPLY; DESIGN; CUSTOMER; SPECIFIC; NEED; SHORT; LEAD; TIME

Derwent Class: P85; T01; T05

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-000/00; G06F-017/50

International Patent Class (Additional): **G06F-017/60** ; G09F-027/00

File Segment: EPI; EngPI

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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WPI Acc No: 2003-075341/200307

Related WPI Acc No: 2003-018154; 2003-058055

XRPX Acc No: N03-058380

**Order fulfilling method in supply chain, involves using intelligent agents network to manage items specified in notice within supply chain as function of probability of need of each item**

Patent Assignee: SCHEER R H (SCHE-I)

Inventor: SCHEER R H

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
US 20020161674	A1	20021031	US 2001263317	P	20010122	200307 B
			US 2001867301	A	20010529	

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001263317 P 20010122; US 2001867301 A 20010529

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

US 20020161674 A1 43 G06F-017/60 Provisional application US 2001263317

Abstract (Basic): US 20020161674 A1

NOVELTY - The method involves utilizing network of intelligent network agent to manage the **items** specified in the advance demand notice within the supply chain as a function of probability of need for each **item** .

USE - For fulfilling **order** in integrated supply **chain** management using networked computer systems, used for delivery of **goods** , flow of materials, information, money between customers, suppliers, manufacturers, distributors, financial institutions.

ADVANTAGE - Allows companies to operate an entire supply chain without requiring an excessive level of **product** safety stock on hand.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure **shows** the exemplary process for use in providing integrated supply chain management.

pp; 43 DwgNo 1/13

Title Terms: ORDER; METHOD; SUPPLY; CHAIN; INTELLIGENCE; AGENT; NETWORK; MANAGE; **ITEM** ; SPECIFIED; NOTICE; SUPPLY; CHAIN; FUNCTION; PROBABILITY; NEED; **ITEM**

Derwent Class: T01; T05

International Patent Class (Main): **G06F-017/60**

File Segment: EPI

12/5/6 (Item 6 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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WPI Acc No: 2003-028709/200302

XRPX Acc No: N03-022561

**Work item sequence manipulation method in network-based supply chain system, involves generating and processing work item according to process templates of identified project template**

Patent Assignee: APPAREON (APPA-N)

Inventor: DICK K S; DUSSINGER S W

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
US 20020120459	A1	20020829	US 2000748398	A	20001226	200302 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2000748398 A 20001226

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 20020120459	A1	58	G06F-015/16		

Abstract (Basic): US 20020120459 A1

NOVELTY - A work **item** representing communication between the businesses through a network is generated. The work **item** is processed in accordance with the process templates of identified project templates to accomplish goals of project template. The processed work **item** is output through a process interface utilizing the network.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for the following:

(1) Computer program **product** for manipulating a sequence of work **item** in a supply chain; and

(2) System for manipulating sequence of work **item** in supply chain.

USE - For manipulating sequence of work **items** in network-based supply chain systems e.g. for apparel related business.

ADVANTAGE - The efficiency of business **transaction** is improved by



generating, processing and supplying work **item** between two remote places through network.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure **shows** a flowchart illustrating the process of translating documents in design-to- **order** supply **chain** .

pp; 58 DwgNo 3/23

Title Terms: WORK; **ITEM** ; SEQUENCE; MANIPULATE; METHOD; NETWORK; BASED; SUPPLY; CHAIN; SYSTEM; GENERATE; PROCESS; WORK; **ITEM** ; ACCORD; PROCESS; TEMPLATE; IDENTIFY; PROJECT; TEMPLATE

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-015/16

International Patent Class (Additional): **G06F-017/60**

File Segment: EPI

**12/5/7 (Item 7 from file: 350)**

DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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WPI Acc No: 2002-508082/200254

XRPX Acc No: N02-402092

**Order fulfillment ensuring method involves modifying supply chain model to fulfill order when desired item is not available at desired time**

Patent Assignee: MANUGISTICS INC (MANU-N)

Inventor: BESTLAND G; HSIANG P; JENKINS J A; KANTH B; SEAMAN R

Number of Countries: 098 Number of Patents: 003

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
WO 200235437	A1	20020502	WO 2001US42797	A	20011029	200254 B
AU 200214663	A	20020506	AU 200214663	A	20011029	200257
EP 1340175	A1	20030903	EP 2001983218	A	20011029	200365
			WO 2001US42797	A	20011029	

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2000243427 P 20001027

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

WO 200235437 A1 E 87 G06F-017/60

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Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GM GR IE IT KE LS LU MC MW MZ NL OA PT SD SE SL SZ TR TZ UG ZW

AU 200214663 A G06F-017/60 Based on patent WO 200235437

EP 1340175 A1 E G06F-017/60 Based on patent WO 200235437

Designated States (Regional): AL AT BE CH CY DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LI LT LU LV MC MK NL PT RO SE SI TR

Abstract (Basic): WO 200235437 A1

NOVELTY - A supply chain model is created using various activities. The requirements of the order are determined and supply chain model is checked to determine whether desired **item** is available at desired time. If the desired **item** is not available at desired time, supply chain model is modified to fulfill the order.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for system for fulfilling an order requesting desired **item** at desired time.

USE - For ensuring manufacturing order fulfillment.

ADVANTAGE - The fulfillment system decreases expediting and inventory costs, while maximizing customer service by orchestrating

time-phased **product** /material flow. The **product** shortages can be avoided by launching proactive alerts to distribution planners when **product** replenishments are in danger of falling unexpectedly short.  
DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure **shows** the block diagram of a system for ensuring order fulfillment.

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Title Terms: ORDER; ENSURE; METHOD; MODIFIED; SUPPLY; CHAIN; MODEL; ORDER;  
**ITEM** ; AVAILABLE; TIME

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): **G06F-017/60**

File Segment: EPI

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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WPI Acc No: 2002-383372/200241

XRPX Acc No: N02-300088

**Order plan generation method for a supply chain network by establishing orders for each of a number of priority levels for unplanned network components unable to satisfy an order request**

Patent Assignee: I2 TECHNOLOGIES INC (ITWO-N)

Inventor: ABRAHAM M

Number of Countries: 096 Number of Patents: 003

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
WO 200229688	A1	20020411	WO 2001US31321	A	20011005	200241 B
AU 200213049	A	20020415	AU 200213049	A	20011005	200254
DE 10196753	T	20030904	DE 1096753	A	20011005	200366
			WO 2001US31321	A	20011005	

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001925149 A 20010808; US  
2000238377 P 20001006

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
WO 200229688	A1	E	23	G06F-017/60	

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IS JP KE KG KP KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MA MD MG MK MN MW MX MZ NO NZ  
PH PL PT RO RU SD SE SG SI SK SL TJ TM TR TT TZ UA UG UZ VN YU ZA ZW

Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GM GR  
IE IT KE LS LU MC MW MZ NL OA PT SD SE SL SZ TR TZ UG ZW

AU 200213049 A G06F-017/60 Based on patent WO 200229688

DE 10196753 T G06F-017/60 Based on patent WO 200229688

Abstract (Basic): WO 200229688 A1

NOVELTY - Data describing priority levels each level including one or more requests for **items** . The supply chain network is described by data defining the network components each of which supplies one or more **items** to satisfy an **item** request. An order is planned for each of a number of priority levels and for each **item** request according to unplanned network components unable to satisfy an **item** request. The unplanned network components for each priority level are determined and validated for the current priority level. An order plan is then provided for the **item** requests at each priority level.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for

(a) a system for generating an order plan.

(b) computer logic program for generating an order plan.

USE - In supply chain networks.

ADVANTAGE - Information about infeasibility periods may be recorded in order to increase the efficiency of generating an order plan.

Also infeasible periods may be validated in order to improve the accuracy of information used to generate an order plan. An infeasible period may become feasible due to the cancelation or un planning of an order freeing materials or capacity within the production process.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing **shows** a block diagram of a supply chain network.

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Title Terms: ORDER; PLAN; GENERATE; METHOD; SUPPLY; CHAIN; NETWORK;  
ESTABLISH; ORDER; NUMBER; PRIORITY; LEVEL; NETWORK; COMPONENT; UNABLE;  
SATISFY; ORDER; REQUEST

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): **G06F-017/60**

File Segment: EPI

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WPI Acc No: 2002-169276/200222

**Electronic transaction method and apparatus for selling standard industrial products through internet shopping mall and local chain store**

Patent Assignee: KIM J D (KIMJ-I)

Inventor: KIM J D

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
KR 2001089968	A	20011017	KR 200015399	A	20000327	200222 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): KR 200015399 A 20000327

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
KR 2001089968	A		1 G06F-017/60	

Abstract (Basic): KR 2001089968 A

NOVELTY - An electronic **transaction** method and apparatus is provided to save immense energy, resolve traffic congestion, and save a time for **buying goods** by ordering **goods** desired to **buy** through a cyber space and providing the ordered **goods** within a predetermined time in a related chain store which is near to a corresponding area.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - A client including members and nonmembers receives ordered **goods** in a desired time and place. The client writes order sheets and ordered **goods** are simultaneously transmitted to each corresponding area chain store computer and each area header computer so as to agree with a main company having a main computer in real time. The **chain** store receives the **ordered** contents, confirms ordered **goods** name, an amount of **goods**, and a time and place to be provided. And then the chain store delivers the corresponding **goods** within a predetermined time. The chain store receives confirmed signatures from the clients and inputs information referring to the delivered contents in the computer. The main computer transmits contents for confirming order process **items** and an appreciative message to the clients. The main computer transmits mileage points according to a current amount of money of the clients and a guide sentence of contents for using the mileage point to the clients.

pp; 1 DwgNo 1/10  
Title Terms: ELECTRONIC; **TRANSACTION** ; METHOD; APPARATUS; **SELL** ; STANDARD  
; INDUSTRIAL; **PRODUCT** ; THROUGH; SHOPPING; MALL; LOCAL; CHAIN; STORAGE  
Derwent Class: T01  
International Patent Class (Main): **G06F-017/600**  
File Segment: EPI

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DIALOG(R) File 350:Derwent WPIX  
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WPI Acc No: 2002-010247/200201  
XRPX Acc No: N02-008585

**Electronic commerce system for secure electronic procurement of goods  
/services such as narcotics, processes and stores procurement  
transactions containing orders and confirmation of receipt**

Patent Assignee: PROCURE.COM INC (PROC-N)  
Inventor: FLETCHER R J; MCPHEDRAN N C  
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001  
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
US 20010042050	A1	20011115	US 2000174510	A	20000105	200201 B
			US 2001755467	A	20010105	

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2000174510 P 20000105; US  
2001755467 A 20010105

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 20010042050	A1	19	G06F-017/60	Provisional application US 2000174510

Abstract (Basic): US 20010042050 A1

NOVELTY - A security procurement processor (38) in cooperation with a certificate authority unit (40), processes electronically the procurement **transactions** containing orders and confirmation of receipt. The processed **transaction** are stored in a database server, for providing verifiable chain of custody, for **goods** /services procured by the user.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- (a) Secure procurement system;
- (b) **Goods** /services procurement method

USE - For secure electronic procurement of **goods** /services such as narcotics, controlled drugs, precious metals, office supplies, book, catalog order **products** that are subjected to **chain** -of-custody for **ordering** and delivering.

ADVANTAGE - The amount of time spent for placing orders is reduced because the system is simple and easy to use. Customers at distant places can receive orders, thus market reach is extended.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure **shows** the general schematic representation of electronic commerce system.

Security procurement processor (38)  
Certificate authority unit (40)

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Title Terms: ELECTRONIC; SYSTEM; SECURE; ELECTRONIC; **GOODS** ; SERVICE;  
NARCOTIC; PROCESS; STORAGE; **TRANSACTION** ; CONTAIN; ORDER; CONFIRM;  
RECEIPT

Derwent Class: T01  
International Patent Class (Main): **G06F-017/60**

File Segment: EPI

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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WPI Acc No: 2001-597387/200168

XRPX Acc No: N01-445415

**Electronic-commerce system for procuring narcotics, drugs, has secure procurement system which in co-operation with certificate authority authenticates user private procurement transaction**

Patent Assignee: PROCURE.COM INC (PROC-N)

Inventor: FLETCHER R J; MCPHEDRAN N C

Number of Countries: 002 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week
CA 2330266	A1	20010705	CA 2330266	A	20010105	200168 B
US 20010042050	A1	20011115	US 2000174510	A	20000105	200201
			US 2001755467	A	20010105	

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2000174510 P 20000105; US 2001755467 A 20010105

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
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CA 2330266	A1	E	37	H04L-009/32	
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US 20010042050	A1		19	G06F-017/60	Provisional application US 2000174510
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Abstract (Basic): CA 2330266 A1

NOVELTY - A supplier system (44) transmits supplier private procurement **transactions** comprising notification of provision of **goods** on receiving user private procurement **transactions** comprising orders and confirmation of receipt. A secure procurement system (38) in co-operation with certificate authority (40) authenticates user private procurement **transactions**. Orders, notifications, confirmation of receipts are stored in database server to provide verifiable chain of custody for **goods** procured by user.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

(a) **Goods** /services procuring method;

(b) Secured procurement system

USE - In electronic-commerce for securing **goods** or services particularly narcotics, controlled drugs and substances or other **goods** subject to **chain** of custody for **ordering** and delivering.

ADVANTAGE - Orders are created and receipt of **product** is confirmed using any standard web browser, thus eliminating need for additional complex end user software. Errors are virtually eliminated, as catalog, pricing and other information are always up-to-date and procurement system does not accept orders for non-listed catalog **items**. The number of telephone order status queries are dramatically reduced, as better and more up-to-date information, including real time information regarding delivery schedules, are placed in the hands of customers and trading partners. Only valid orders are accepted as all entries are cross-referenced against online catalog, hence significantly reducing processing costs and costs associated with handling returns. Orders are automatically processed by any legacy application and sent directly to a picker or receiver on a warehouse floor or to a transportation company. Provides assurance that a particular **transaction** has taken place between user and supplier.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure **shows** the general schematic representation of electronic-commerce system.

Secure procurement system (38)

Certificate authority (40)

Supplier system (44)

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Title Terms: ELECTRONIC; SYSTEM; NARCOTIC; DRUG; SECURE; SYSTEM; CO;  
OPERATE; CERTIFY; AUTHORISE; USER; PRIVATE; **TRANSACTION**

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): **G06F-017/60** ; H04L-009/32

International Patent Class (Additional): H04L-012/16

File Segment: EPI